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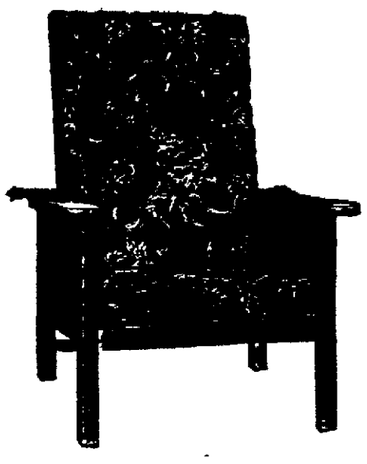

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TALKING OF PEACE

Spain Begins to Show Signs of Yielding.

ASSAULT ON SANTIAGO.

The Final Attack by American Forces May Be Made Today.

GEN. LINARES CABLES TO MADRID

Probably Asked Permission to Surrender to Shafter—Re-enforcements Go Today With General Miles on the Yale and Columbia

WASHINGTON, July 9.—There was a continuation of peace talk yesterday, and other evidences in this line than those of Thursday are coming to the surface. Such, for instance, was the confirmation by the state department of the report that the Cadiz fleet was returning to Spain, since it is scarcely conceivable that the Spanish government would doom this last remnant of their fleet to destruction at the hands of Watson's squadron, which in all probability could head it off before it reached Cadiz, its home port. Therefore the assumption is that the Spanish government calculates that at least an armistice precedent to peace will be obtained before the ships reach Spain. An unusually definite report was in circulation that the United States had been sounded in the interest of peace by the British embassador, but when it was brought to Sir Julian Pauncefote's attention he authorized an explicit denial and said he had not communicated with the government in any way regarding the termination of the war.

Conditions at Santiago also are regarded as favorable just now, according to General Shafter's dispatch received during the forenoon. Nothing more came from him yesterday, but the impression prevails that the Spanish are in a desperate plight within the lines of the city, and General Shafter's action in allowing Linares to communicate freely with Madrid is an implication that there is at least a reasonable hope that the Spanish general contemplates a surrender. However that may be, every preparation is making for a great engagement—the final one at Santiago, it is hoped, which may begin even as early as today if Shafter's re-enforcements are on hand. The department has not heard so far of the arrival of these soldiers, but believes they have reached Shafter.

The greatest difficulty that has been encountered is in the landing of troops and supplies This being the hurricane season and the wind setting straight on the southern coast, the masters of the transports have become alarmed and taken their ships many miles out to sea, necessitating long journeys by the ships' boats, which make their landings through the surf with the greatest difficulty and danger. So slow and tedious has been the service under these conditions that Secretary Alger has ordered General Shafter to seize the transports one and all and place them as near the coast as he chooses without regard to the fears of their masters Ten days ago lighters were started down from Mobile and Tampa, but so far General Shafter has received only one These lighters have been a nightmare to the department ever since. The captains tie up in creeks at the slightest sign of bad weather, while the charter rate of $100 a day runs on. Orders have been sent forward to terminate this state of things, even if it is necessary to lose a few lighters in the effort to reach Shafter

The government has not yet determined how to dispose of Admiral Cervera A feeling of the highest admiration prevails here at the gallantry displayed by the old warrior and the noble spirit exhibited by him under misfortune The disposition is to treat him with as great liberality as conditions will permit It has been proposed that he be released on parole not to engage in hostilities against the United States until the end of the war but it has not yet been decided whether to do this or to confine the admiral technically within the limits of the Naval academy reservation at Annapolis All the other captured Spanish naval officers will be confined there save the surgeons who will be allowed to remain with the enlisted men at the prison station at Seavys Island, Portsmouth harbor N. H. The St Louis is due there today with the first lot of prisoners, while the Harvard is just about to start from off Santiago with the remainder

The report of the appearance of a Spanish privateer off the coast of British Columbia, which appears to have created such a commotion on the northwestern coast, came from one of the government agents in that section of the world. Moreover, the same person said that two vessels were taking on coal at a British Columbian port which it was presumed was intended for the Spanish fleet should it have made its way into the Pacific ocean through the Suez canal

The failure of congress to act on the naval advancement special acts may after all be beneficial as enabling the president to arrange with more deliberation and justice a scale of rewards for meritorious officers.

Spanish Soldiers Starving.

PLAYA DEL ESTE, Cuba, July 9.—A Spanish soldier terribly emaciated and in such that he could barely walk was picked up by men from the United States gunboat Annapolis yesterday at a point near the entrance to the upper bay He had no rifle, for he was too weak to carry it. According to his story, there are many Spanish soldiers in Guantanamo in the same condition of starvation

He says there is absolutely nothing to eat there, but that the Spaniards are daily told that if they surrender to the Americans they are sure to be murdered

A captain and three privates from Baracoa came into the bay yesterday in a small sailboat and were picked up by the cruiser Marblehead. They were ostensibly greatly surprised and claimed not to have known that the bay was in the possession of the Americans. They report that there is a great scarcity of food at Baracoa and that the Spanish troops there are in bad shape.

Over 20,000 rations for reconcentrados have been landed across the bay by Commander McCalla of the Marblehead, and the half starved Cubans are flocking in from the hills for food.

CRUISERS AT CHARLESTON.

Yale and Columbia, With Miles and 1,720 Men, Sail Today.

CHARLESTON, July 9.—The cruisers Yale and Columbia, with the Sixth Massachusetts and one battalion of the Sixth Illinois aboard, lie off the lightship at the entrance of the harbor and p- ably will sail today for Cuba. The embarkation of the troops began at midday yesterday. They were marched to the wharf, where the steamers Commodore Perry and Planter were in waiting. The men went on board and amid the cheers of the spectators and the men of other regiments steamed down the harbor in the face of a heavy rainstorm The work of transshipping the soldiers was accomplished without mishap. By some mistake one company of the Sixth Massachusetts was left on the wharf when the steamers started Adjutant Butler Ames promptly chartered a tug and took them out to the transports

General Nelson A. Miles and his staff arrived in this city at 6 30 last night. At 8 o'clock General Miles boarded the lighthouse tender Wistaria and went out to the Yale. This was in accordance with previously arranged plans The Sixth Massachusetts is quartered on the Yale, while the Illinois men are on the Columbia The expedition numbers in all 1,720 men. There are still in the city 4 000 troops, and others are expected here from Chickamauga.

COLONEL ROOSEVELT.

Heroes of Santiago Promoted—Dr. Wood a Brigadier General.

WASHINGTON July 9.—The following nominations were confirmed by the senate before its adjournment.

Volunteer army—Brigadier generals of volunteers to be major generals, Hamilton S Hawkins Henry W Lawton, Adna R Chaffee and John C Bates

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

To be brigadier generals—Colonel Leonard Wood First regiment United States Volunteer cavalry, and Lieutenant Colonel Chambers McKibbin, Twenty-first infantry

First regiment Volunteer cavalry—To be colonel, Lieutenant Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, First regiment, United States Volunteer cavalry

No Meat In Havana.

KINGSTON, Jamaica July 9.—The British cruiser Talbot, which left Havana on Tuesday July 5 arrived at Port Royal yesterday with 23 passengers, among them Sir Alexander Gollan British consul general at Havana, and Mr Higgins of the British consulate there both on leave which is given as the only explanation of their departure Mr Jerome has been left in charge of British affairs in Havana Mr Higgins said

"The city of Havana is quiet and there are no new complications The well to do inhabitants are subsisting tolerably but the poor are dying of starvation in the streets There are many sights of terrible misery The barracks are filled with women starving The soldiers are fairly well fed General Pando has been sending these troops into the interior it is said, en route to Santiago but I do not see how they will get there The blockade is maintained and vessels are frequently turned back Everybody is anxious for the conclusion of the war, though the soldiers wish to fight and all the officials are resolute There is no flour in Havana and no meat, while yams are scarce."

Sir Alexander Gollan declined to say anything on the condition of things at Havana The other passengers of the Talbot are for the most part female refugees.

Camara Back at Suez.

SUEZ, Egypt July 9.—The Spanish squadron under Admiral Camara has returned here and is preparing to re-enter the canal on its way back to Spain. The fleet is anchored beyond the three mile limit, where it awaits the Pelayo. Admiral Camara yesterday visited the governor, and salutes were exchanged.

DUN'S REVIEW.

Good Prospects For Large Crops This Year.

NEW YORK, July 9.—R. G. Dun & Co's weekly review of trade says.

The usual half yearly statement of failures by branches of business is peculiarly interesting because it shows that war and fears of war have not caused increase in commercial disasters. The surprisingly large and general decrease in trading defaults would without doubt be accompanied by corresponding returns as to manufacturing but for excessive expansion in some lines and the helpless condition reached by a few large firms in other branches.

Criticism of crop estimates is the less needful because the best authorities all agree that supplies for the coming year promise to greatly exceed home requirements and a full export demand, though for a month or two yet Europe may require much more than usual. This will help to sustain the market, while the earlier receipts are coming forward, and prices will then be determined largely by the outlook for crops abroad, which is not as yet entirely encouraging.

The fiscal year has ended with financial results a shade beyond general expectations, and the new war tax begins to increase revenue, not seriously disturbing business in any line. No reason yet appears to apprehend that the war revenue will fall below expectations.

Failures for the week have been 229 in the United States against 206 last year, and 17 in Canada against 30 last year.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Results of Yesterday's Games In the National League.

At New York—

New York	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—6
Brooklyn	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—2

Hits—New York, 10, Brooklyn, 5. Errors—New York, 2, Brooklyn, 1 Batteries—Seymour and Grady; Yeager and Ryan.

At Pittsburg—

Pittsburg	6	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	*	—14
Louisville	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	—3

Hits—Pittsburg, 13; Louisville, 7. Errors—Pittsburg, 5; Louisville, 1. Batteries—Killen and Bowerman; Fraser, Dowling and Powers.

At Chicago—

Chicago	5	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	—8
Cincinnati	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	6	—11

Hits—Chicago, 9, Cincinnati, 13 Errors—Chicago, 3, Cincinnati, 5. Batteries—Woods and Donahue, Hill and Peitz.

At Cleveland—

Cleveland	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	—5
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0

Hits—Cleveland, 5; St. Louis, 2. Errors—Cleveland, 0, St. Louis, 1 Batteries—Powell and O'Connor, Sudhoff and Sugden.

At Philadelphia—

Philadelphia	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	*	—5
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0

Hits—Philadelphia, 7; Boston, 0. Errors—Philadelphia, 2, Boston, 1. Batteries—Donahue and McFarland; Willis and Bergen.

At Baltimore—

Baltimore	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	—2
Washington	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—3

Hits—Baltimore, 6, Washington, 8. Errors—Baltimore, 2, Washington, 2. Batteries—Maul and Robinson, Mercer and McGuire.

Table of Percentages.

	W.	L.	P. C.
Cincinnati	48	23	.676
Boston	42	27	.609
Cleveland	41	27	.603
Baltimore	40	27	.597
Chicago	40	31	.563
Pittsburg	38	31	.550
New York	33	34	.493
Philadelphia	29	36	.446
Washington	29	39	.426
Brooklyn	27	39	.409
St Louis	23	50	.315
Louisville	23	48	.314

Mrs. Place Found Guilty.

NEW YORK, July 9.—After deliberating a little more than two hours and a half the jury chosen to try Mrs. Martha Place on the charge of murdering her stepdaughter, Ida Place, on Feb. 7, returned at 3 37 o'clock yesterday afternoon a verdict of murder in the first degree After the first ballot the jury was practically unanimous as to the verdict to be returned After Mrs Place had been taken back to the prison pen she broke down and sobbed convulsively She was hurried to the Raymond Street jail.

Wreck on the Erie.

NEW YORK July 9.—While running into a switch at Ridgewood N J, yesterday afternoon, the engine of a mixed freight train on the Erie road jumped the track Fifteen cars which were being drawn by the engine were piled up on the tracks and wrecked Engineer John Cook and Fireman James Hayes were injured but not seriously. Traffic was delayed for several hours

The Drexel yacht Margarita has been transferred to an Englishman in London

An army and navy league to relieve sick and wounded has been formed in Cincinnati

Mrs R A Smith mother of the comic opera singer, Attalie Claire, was instantly killed in a runaway accident at Purling N Y

George W Reed and W. Kelsey Reed, former officials of the defunct Dime Savings bank of Chicago have been arrested on the charge of receiving deposits after the bank was insolvent. They were released on bail.

The strike of the coal miners in Mercer and Butler counties, Pa., has been broken A number of the old miners at the Grove City mines, re-enforced new men have resumed work. Operators say the majority of the mines will be operation in a short time. 4 000 miners have been out in the district

Vice President Hobart has the following senators as members of the proposed industrial Messrs. Kyle, Pearson, McEnery and Mallory. He appointed Allison, Chandler and Pettigrew senatorial members of the commission to investigate the matter of the strike.

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THE PEOPLE FEARED

Spanish Government Doesn't Dare Give Up Now.

THE PEACE PARTY IS GROWING.

Sagasta May Be Forced to Yield—Rumors of Watson's Coming Frightens the Spaniards—The Cuban Blockade Presses Heavily on the Enemy.

LONDON, July 9.—The Madrid correspondent of The Times says:

"The frequent cabinet discussions of the peace question have been without result, except that the ministers who had most strongly advocated war have assumed a slightly more conciliatory attitude, and the field of discussion is somewhat narrowed. The idea is that, owing to the immense difficulties of the campaign in Cuba, the United States will probably abandon the system of storming fortified places and will adopt the plan of starving garrisons out by blockading the whole island.

"The government would probably prefer suing for peace to suffering an indefinite blockade, but it fears the large body of patriotic opinion in favor of resisting to the bitter end if Cuba is blockaded. It is to be hoped that the Americans will find some means of controlling the ferocity of their savage allies. A profound impression has been made here by the rumors that the Americans had handed over Spanish prisoners to Cuban insurgents, who beheaded them."

The Havana correspondent of The Times says:

"Owing to the pressure of official dispatches, some important telegrams which passed the censorship six days ago have just been returned to me unsent."

The Times says editorially this morning:

"Spain should make peace before America has hardened her heart."

Referring to the annexation of Hawaii, The Times says:

"The annexation starts the republic upon a new course of action, yet the American people are not so enamored of the Philippines as to refuse to consider the question of leaving them in Spanish hands."

The Madrid correspondent of The Chronicle says:

"The cabinet council last night considered the questions of new cables and of military measures necessary in view of an American attack upon Spanish ports.

"All rumors as to peace negotiations are semiofficially declared to be unfounded.

"A dispatch from Santiago says that after the Merrimac prisoners were exchanged General Shafter again demanded that the town should surrender, declaring that otherwise the attack would recommence at noon. The dispatch gives no date for the time of resumption, which is believed to be noon today. It concludes by saying that although Santiago lacks provisions it will defend itself until the end.

"La Correspondencia de Espana says there is a feeling of alarm due to a belief that the United States warships Oregon, Texas and New York are now on their way to Spain and that precautions are being taken at all the seaports to avoid a surprise.

"The ministers are divided in their opinions as to the advisability of immediate negotiations for peace. The war party is inclined to adopt the view of Marshal Martinez Campos, who considers that the army must first by a notable victory wipe out the defeat of the navy.

"The peace party urges direct negotiations with the United States rather than through powers whose selfishness has allowed Spain to be crushed by a strong enemy and who may now intrigue for harder conditions, desiring to profit by her dismemberment."

FROM SPANISH SOURCES.

Blanco and Toral Refuse to Surrender Santiago.

HAVANA, July 9.—The Americans have again demanded the surrender of Santiago, fixing the terms of the truce until noon today. General Toral has refused the proposition, saying he is resolved to defend the town until he dies. General Blanco approves of the firmness of General Toral's resolution.

Communication with Santiago has been re-established. Four English employees of the cable company remained in their places and were quite ready to continue their work.

An exchange of prisoners has taken place. Among those exchanged was Captain Vara del Rey, a brother of the general who was killed.

A new landing made by the American forces took place north of Santiago de Cuba. The expedition was bound westward to Holguin, where it joined Calixto Garcia, with whom it went to Santiago and assisted in placing artillery along the roads leading to the city.

By secret advices it is known that the rebels of Holguin who joined in the attack against Santiago have returned to their own camp very much disgusted with 200 lost, 30 of them being killed.

London Press on Peace Prospects.

LONDON, July 9.—Most of the weekly papers think the moment opportune for Spain to sue for peace, and they advise her to do so.

The Saturday Review says: "The United States is in a position to act chivalrously toward an honorable opponent, who, if defeated, is not disgraced."

The Spectator has, however, little faith in talk of peace and does not believe Spain will make peace until literally compelled. It thinks the American terms will be too hard to tempt Spaniards to abandon their ideas of what in the way of resistance is demanded of them by national honor.

The weeklies pay high tributes to the American navy. The Speaker says: "Santiago fight proves that, so far as the navy is concerned, the United States need not fear comparison with any country in the world."

The Spectator draws, as a conclusion of battle, the conviction that the British fleet could face even the French without great risk of disaster. "So far as the German and American navies go, there is no comparison. A struggle would be very short and bloody, and it would surprise many who thinks himself

invincible, but this will, conceivably, not alter history."

Government Buys City of Berlin.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The war department yesterday announced the purchase of the steamer City of Berlin, owned by the International Navigation company, for use as a transport. She is a vessel of ample dimensions and can accommodate a regiment of infantry and the horses for the officers of two regiments. She will be overhauled and fitted up for transport work preparatory to her departure south. The department has also acquired the steamer Rita, one of the Spanish prize ships captured by our vessels. She will be fitted out for transport purposes.

FRENCH LINE AGENTS' STORY.

Try to Explain Why No First Cabin Passengers Were Saved.

HALIFAX, July 9.—S. Cuard & Co., Halifax agents of the steamship line to which La Bourgogne belonged, have issued the following statement relative to the disaster:

"With reference to the sad disaster to the French steamship La Bourgogne the following facts will explain why no first cabin passengers were saved and more of the others were not saved: The Cromartyshire struck La Bourgogne on the starboard side, her bowsprit coming on board just forward of the bridge, smashing No. 1 boat, then, dragging aft, damaged Nos. 3 and 5 boats, breaking in the starboard boiler hold and engine room. The whole time from the collision till she sunk must have been less than 40 minutes, as the purser's watch stopped at 10 minutes to 6, and the collision took place about 10 minutes after 5.

"Passengers were doubtless all below asleep at the time. Before they could get on deck the ship had taken a heavy list to starboard. The saloon passengers coming on deck would have seen all the wreckage of the collision on the starboard side, with the ship listing over to starboard, and would naturally have gone on the port side and were doubtless standing about and in the port boats, which it was impossible to launch owing to the heavy list to starboard.

"Two, we are informed, were capsized in being got into the water with more or less passengers in them. The officers' boat, No. 7, on the starboard side, succeeded in pushing off, when the funnel, filling, crushed it. No. 11 boat, on the starboard side, it is stated, was seized by some 10 or 12 foreign sailors among the passengers, who kept any one else from getting in. This boat got off and afterward refused to come and assist the fourth engineer and other Frenchmen on a raft and pick up drowning people in the water. Of the 23 French sailors saved most of them were picked up in the water. The balance probably went down with the ship when she sank, working at the boats on the port side. The men coming up from the engine room aft would have been in a position to avail themselves of the two or three starboard boats aft, and rafts, which were got into the water, as would also the third class and second cabin passengers, whose accommodation was aft.

"Captain Deloncle, we know, was on the bridge when the vessel went down, and no doubt, from the statement of the sailors saved, who were on watch at the time of the collision, the other officers and the rest of the sailors were endeavoring to get the port boats launched and went down with the steamer, which finally sunk stern first, lying over on the starboard side, taking down the passengers and the rest of the crew."

THE HAWAIIAN COMMISSION.

President Has Practically Decided on Morgan, Hitt, Cullom, Dole, Thurston.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The president has practically decided upon the men whom he will name as commissioners to the Hawaiian Islands. The commission as proposed consists of Senator John T. Morgan of Alabama, Representative Robert R. Hitt of Illinois, Senator Shelby M. Cullom of Illinois, former President Sanford B. Dole of the Hawaiian Republic and Lorin A. Thurston, former minister of Hawaii. It is understood that these men will be named this week.

Chairman Cushman K. Davis of the senate foreign relations committee was offered an appointment as one of the commissioners, but declined.

The commissioners will start for Honolulu as soon as they are appointed. It is not expected that their report will be made until late in the summer or early next fall.

As a result of the cabinet meeting yesterday it was decided to dispatch a regiment of troops to Honolulu immediately, and the commandant at the Presidio in San Francisco has been communicated with to learn what forces are available.

Rear Admiral Miller, at Mare Island, has been notified to hold himself in readiness to go to Honolulu on a special mission. He will go on the cruiser Bennington and will formally hoist the American flag over the islands.

Chinese Rebellion Growing.

HONGKONG, July 9.—The British gunboat Tweed has started for Woochow, on the West river, about 180 miles above Canton, from which city the news of the rebellion in the province of Kuang-si was recently received. The rebellion is spreading. The towns of Yungh-sien and Pei-liuh have fallen. Swa-chow and Woo-chou are threatened, and disturbances are reported to have broken out at Chin-kiang-fu, on the Yangg-tze. The Chinese are impeding navigation.

First American Built Tramp Steamer.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Messrs. Miller, Bull & Knowlton of this city yesterday received a dispatch from Bath, Me., saying that the steamer Winifred, built by the Bath Iron works, was successfully launched there yesterday afternoon. She is a steel screw steamer of 1,750 net tonnage and 2,600 gross tonnage. She is the first tramp steamer built in America and is constructed of American materials exclusively.

Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: New York—William W. Bean, Keuka College, J. B. Hart, Wabeek. Pennsylvania—Minnie C. Mickley, Mickley's, Henry S. Lawson, Saybrook, J. H. Wentzel, Chillington; Mrs. Anna Cobb, Stickney.

Weather Probabilities.

Thunderstorms and showers; cooler; northerly winds.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS

Senators and Representatives Take Annual Vacation.

NEARLY A BILLION APPROPRIATED.

A Statement by Chairman Cannon of the House Committee—Patriotic Spirit Rampant as the House Ends Its Session.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Chairman Cannon of the house committee on appropriations yesterday gave out an official statement of the appropriations made during the session of congress just closed. It follows:

The sum of $892,527,991 has been appropriated at this session of congress. This includes $117,856,220 of permanent appropriations to meet sinking fund requirements and interest on the public debt and for other objects, and $361,788,095 to meet expenditures of the war with Spain.

Deducting the last two from the sum first mentioned, there remains $412,903,676, representing the appropriations made at the present session to meet all

CONGRESSMAN CANNON.

ordinary expenditures of the government, which sum is only $4,246,816 more than was appropriated at the last session of the last congress for the same purposes, including the appropriations made during the recent extra session, which apparent excess is almost doubly offset by the increased appropriation of $8,070,872 for the payment of pensions on account of the fiscal year 1898, provided for in a deficiency act at this session.

In addition to the appropriations made specifically for expenses of the conduct of the war since its inception, and for the first six months of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1898, contracts have been authorized by the naval appropriation act for new war vessels and for their armament, for which congress will be called upon in the future to appropriate an amount estimated at $19,216,156.

The amount of estimated revenues for the fiscal year 1899 was $390,000,000; postal revenues, $92,874,647; grand total estimated revenues for fiscal year 1899, $482,874,647.

Senate Adjourns Sine Die.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—In a manner so simple as to be almost perfunctory the senate at 2 p. m. yesterday adjourned without day.

None of the dramatic and exciting scenes usually attendant upon the adjournment of congress was enacted during the closing hours of the senate's session. It had been agreed, when the senate convened at noon, that the house resolution providing for the adjournment of congress at 2 p. m. should be adopted and that an executive session should be held to confirm the nominations in the military and naval establishments. No other business except of the merest routine nature was to be transacted. The arrangement was carried out to the letter.

For nearly an hour previous to adjournment President McKinley and all the members of his cabinet except Secretaries Day and Long were in the president's room adjoining the senate chamber. During that time the president signed a large number of engrossed bills, many of which would have failed had it been necessary to send them to the executive mansion for his signature.

The House's Swan Song.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The end of this session of congress in the house was marked by two notable incidents. One was sensationally partisan, well nigh resulting in personal conflicts upon the floor of the house; the other was notably patriotic and swept away all signs of the former. In the former Mr. Ray (Rep., N. Y.), Mr. Handy (Dem., Del.), Mr. Cannon (Rep., Ills.) and Mr. Ball (Dem., Tex.) were the principal participants. In the latter all members joined irrespective of party affiliations. After a rather stormy session of two hours the house, when adjournment was announced, joined in cheers for the president and war heroes and the singing of patriotic songs, making perhaps the most notable ending to a session since the civil war. The only measure of importance passed was a bill to reimburse the states for expenses incurred in aiding the organization of the volunteer army.

Eleven Army Lighters Sunk.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The war department was advised last night that during a severe storm off the coast of Cuba 11 lighters en route to Santiago in tow of tugs were swamped and lost. So far as known no lives were lost. The lighters were from Mobile, New Orleans and Charleston and were intended for the use of General Shafter in transferring supplies and ordnance from the transports to shore. Their need was essential to the prompt forwarding of all military necessaries to the front before Santiago. The war department upon receipt of this information immediately put in operation efforts to replace the lost lighters at once.

Paymaster Wham Restored to Rank.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The president has signed the bill unanimously adopted by the house and senate to restore Major Wham to his former rank and pay in the army. The president offered a year ago to remit the unexpired portion of the sentence, but Major Wham declined it on the ground that it partook of the nature of a pardon.

Wild Horses in Arizona.

It is estimated that there are at present over 20,000 wild horses in Arizona.

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THIS WEEK'S STORE NEWS has items of more than usual interest and it starts off with a purchase of a traveling man's entire sample line of Umbrellas and Parasols. This man represents the largest manufacturer in the business and remember that it goes without saying that a drummer's samples are made with more than usual care. Take them at 25 per cent. off, but 50 off bought them; they range in price from 25c each for Child's Parasols to $5 and $8 each, and you get them this week at TOMPKINS' in this proportion; $1 will retail for 33c all through the line.

Childs' Parasols

Range in price from 25c to $2 each retail. They run in quality from the cheap cotton affairs up to the high grade fancy silks. About 50 in this lot; all for one-third their regular price.

Ladies' Parasols.

This lot in fancies, blacks and whites and ranges in price from $1 50 to $6 each, while they last you get them for one-third their regular price. About 100 in this lot.

Ladies' and Men's Sun and Rain Umbrellas

Range in price from 75c to $8 each retail. These are elegant goods in blacks, navies, cardinals and changeable taffeta, and remember that all are made in the best possible manner. About 100 in this lot and you take your choice this week for one-third their regular price.

Here are a lot of goods; no mere apron full; all made up for this season. Selling the latest styles of handles, new steel rods and best priced frames. But we call your attention to the fact that they are drummers' samples that they have been carried in their trunks and handled about and some are slightly marred, but nothing to hurt the wear in the least, and if you buy one of these and are not satisfied with your bargain bring it back and get your money back.

Trimmed Millinery.

Our remarkable offering of last week of worthy trimmed hats for $1 50 rather took away the breath of the public for a minute, but it promptly returned and the buying was simply immense, so much so that we have been induced to make an offer this week still better. Just feast your eyes on this week. TRIMMED HATS that were $2.50 and $3 each will be sold for $1.25 each, and one lot of trimmed hats that were $4 and $4.50 each will be sold for $1.75 each.

Trimmed hats that were $6 and $8 each will be sold for $3.50 each.

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Find them at TOMPKINS' at low prices. Just try to get the same thing elsewhere and you will appreciate the magnificent bargain we are offering in this line. These are the new little hats, very nobby and dainty and at little prices at TOMPKINS'.

Childs' Trimmed Hats

75c and $1.

Childs' Sailor Hats

25c value, at Tompkins' each 15c.

Another Shipment of Summer Underwear.

You remember the underwear sensations of last week, for if you got any of the goods you got an amount of value which wouldn't easily let you forget it. We have received another shipment of the same goods, the last lot we can get this season at these prices. Here is interesting reading. If you were not on hand last week your opportunity is now.

Men's Gauze Summer Underwear

29c each is regular price; at Tompkins' each 16c

Men's Fine 50c

Grade of Balbriggan Summer Underwear; at Tompkins' each 35c. Made of fine Maco Yarn.

Men's 75c Quality

Of fine Egyptian Yarn Balbriggan Underwear; at Tompkins' each 50c.

Ladies' 5c Ribbed Vests,

Each 3½c.

Ladies' 10c Ribbed Vests,

Each 8c.

Ladies' 12½c Ribbed Vests,

Each 10c.

Ladies' Extra Size Ribbed Vests,

Made extra wide and extra long 10c; value at Tompkins' each 12½c.

Shirt Waists — Specially Low Prices.

If vastness of variety has any charms for you we can claim your confidence, for few stock like this in Shirt Waists have ever been seen.

It is worth your while to note especially the Shirt Waists at these prices—50c, 75c and $1. Low prices, but look at the goods. You need to pay double in many cases and be pleased with your purchase. We know of goods identical in quality with our $1 sorts that sell for $2. It's a special lot of course, but no small one.

Good News and Much of It.

Low Priced Summer Fabrics.

If bargains news be good news this story will justify the head line. There is much in that which follows that has never been printed before; prices given that are wholly without precedent and on the goods which as you know are not only merely reliable, but desirable, stylish, largely exclusive in pattern and fairly proced before this price cutting started.

LOOK AT THEM NOW.

Fine Printed Organdies 12½c a Yard.

We know of no such Organdie offering as this in this or any other season. It includes many patterns of this season's designs printed on white grounds. A chief feature of the bargains is the especial choiceness of the patterns. They are exquisite. These goods are 19c value; take them for per yard 12½c.

Cotton Dress Stuffs Away Under Price.

We fully expect that the announcement of this list of goods will make a sensation. It is certainly intended to do so, if there is any force in broken price records it will do so, for here are many instances of the lowest price notch ever reached on equal qualities. And this in the full tide of the demand moreover and more important, excellent goods, good patterns, wanted styles, colors you like and designs that attract you. What's the use of a low price on a pattern you don't want. These are not of that class.

At 4c a Yard

Regular price 8c, fine corded Lawns in a dozen floral designs on tinted and white grounds.

At 6c a Yard,

Regular selling price 10c, fine printed Organdies in handsome floral designs.

At 10c a Yard,

Regular price 15c, beautiful Dimities and Organdies, finely printed on white and tinted grounds in conventional and floral designs.

At 10c a Yard,

Regular selling price 19 and 25c, French printed pique in a variety of designs in stripes and figures, the popular fabric for skirts and suits.

At 8½c a Yard,

Regular selling price 12½c Combed Yarn Dress Ginghams; large plaids and stripes.

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OVER THE SHAWANGUNKS

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN SULLIVAN COUNTY ARE DOING.

The News from All Parts of the County—Many Matters of Interest Condensed from Our Sullivan Exchanges and Contributed by Wide-Awake Correspondents.

—The new residence for the Sheriff of Sullivan county is inclosed and well along, and will probably be occupied in September. The lot on which it is erected was formerly the property of Prof. Sevenoak, corner North and Bank streets, just west of the court house. In style the building is of modern cottage architecture, including all improvements for convenience and comfort. It will be an ornament to the village as well as a permanent addition to the county assets. The rooms now used for the sheriff's family will be utilized for public purposes.—*Republican.*

—Joe Appell, who has been working for ex-Sheriff Watson, at Monticello, was badly hurt, Tuesday afternoon, by being hit on the head by a varnish can thrown from Central Music Hall, which cut a terrible gash in his head.

—Mrs. Frank Leslie, of New York city, is a guest for the summer at "the Frank Leslie," Monticello.

—A hearing before W. W. Smith, Esq., as referee, was commenced at Green's Hotel, Rockland, Wednesday afternoon, in the matter of the petition of Mrs. Margaret Fickett, for an allowance of over $5,000 for care, board, clothing and attention to Fred Fickett, a lunatic. The petition is opposed by George Cochran, as commissioner.

—Chas. Gilman, of Milwaukee, Wis., formerly Supervisor of Forrestburgh, is spending two weeks in Monticello.

—Paradise is no more. That heavenly-titled station between Monticello and Port Jervis has been rechristened "Mountain Spring." Probably no hamlet in the State has suffered so much sarcasm. As the conductor called "Paradise," passengers looked out and saw two or three shanties, and the "healing streams," confined in a watertank, flowing into the tank of the tender. Unconsciously they would murmur "O Paradise, O Paradise, we're weary waiting here," and then an intimation would be plainly heard that Paradise belonged to the lower regions, or referred to a "crap" game.—*Republican.*

—Miss Mamie Strong, of Monticello, won the first prize in the New York *Telegram's* dress designing contest.

—Arrangements are being made for a grand Masonic fair to be held in Monticello the second week in August, commencing on Tuesday. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the building fund of the handsome Masonic Temple, now being erected.

—Frank McGuire, of Parksville, met with a severe accident on the Fourth. He was firing a small cannon and stood immediately behind it. When it fired it turned over discharging its contents in the young man's face. He was severely injured and was taken to New York for treatment.—*Watchman.*

—The Women's Christian Temperance Union of Rockland asks the assistance of all the patriotic women of the town in their effort to provide comfort bags for soldiers.

—While playing about the house a few days ago the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Adolf Sherer, of Tenanah Lake, fell backward into a vessel of hot water and was so badly scalded that he died the next day.

—A pitchfork, thrown from a load of hay, pierced Jacob Knell's hand, Saturday, while he was helping his father-in-law, Gottlieb Durr, gather his hay crop near Jeffersonville.

—The marriage of Charles Rose, of Livingston Manor, and Lavina Volertson, of Youngsville, which took place, Jan. 28, has just been announced.

—Edward Barker, of Livingston Manor, has been granted an increase of pension, from $6 to $12 a month.

—Orville Ackerley was drawing hay for Melvin Brannen, of near Grahamsville, Saturday, July 2, when he slid from the load and fell under the front wheels of the wagon which passed over him. He suffered greatly until Sunday morning when he died. He was the son of Uriah Ackerley and was thirty-five years old.

—Fred Allen, editor of the Liberty *Gazette* burned one of his hands very severely Wednesday afternoon.

—D. B. Stanton, who moved from Liberty, thirty years ago, and who is now at Greeley, Col., is visiting friends at Liberty.

—A team of horses belonging to the Liberty Sanitarium ran away Thursday evening, June 30 and one of them fell and broke its leg and was afterwards shot.

George W. Tuthill's Mental Condition.

The Sheriff's jury which inquired, Thursday, into the mental condition of George W. Tuthill, of Washingtonville, was not able to agree. The testimony was very contradictory, some witnesses swearing to incompetency, while others were equally positive that he is competent to care for his property, $11,000.

A Few Pointers.

The recent statistics of the number of deaths show that the large majority die with consumption. The disease may commence with an apparently harmless cough which can be cured instantly by Kemp's Balsam for the Throat and Lungs, which is guaranteed to cure and relieve all cases. Price 25 and 50c. Sold by all druggists; ask for a free sample today.

SICKNESS TO HEALTH.

What Paine's Celery Compound Is Doing for Hosts of Women.

It speaks volumes for Paine's celery compound that of all the many women who have recovered health by its means very many were induced to take it through the persuasion of other women,—sister, mother, or friends.

When a sick and feeble sufferer is seen to gain steadily in health and vigor from taking Paine's celery compound no room for doubt is left to the most stubborn-minded person. This joyous transformation from sickness to health is going on in thousands of homes this spring.

Here is the experience—like that of hundreds of others—of Mrs. R. H. Studds;

135 N. W., Washington, D. C.

Wells, Richardson & Co.:

Gentlemen—Paine's celery compound was recommended to my husbank by his father, who told him to have me try it, for with other remendies I did not seem to be getting better. I was suffering from nervousness, and baby seemed to nurse it from me, as she did not sleep more than 15 to 20 minutes at any time. I also suffered from indigestion and very torpid liver. I find that Paine's celery compound not only comes up to what you say, but that it is, without doubt, the best tonic and remedy for women. I do not think it can be recommended too highly.

Respectfully yours,
Mrs. R. H. Studds.

Mrs. Lydia M. Hayden of Marion, Ind., writes:

"Before commencing the use of Paine's celery compound I was treated by many doctors and tried many remedies, but did not get any better. I seemed to be giving out. I weighed only 115 pounds last fall when I commenced using Paine's celery compound. In less than two months I weighed 124 pounds, an unusual weight for me. I have had better health ever since and have felt better this summer than I have for yeare.

"My little daughter was away from home on a visit, and came home looking as if she had had a hard sickness. I went right away and got her a bottle of Paine's celery compound, and she has had better health since than she ever had in her life, eats hearty and is growing fast."

No woman in any way out of health can in justice to herself and her faimly fail to take Paine's celery compound when its power of restoring health is so abundantly proved.

AN OLD TIME SNAKE STORY

How Haymakers Caught Snakes on the Denton "Pilot Medders."

From the Independent Republican.

The old subscriber dropped into a chair in the sanctum the other day and began to discourse upon the superiority of matters and things in the "good old times" over those which exist at the present. Men were bigger and braver and better then, he thought, the crops richer and the soil more fertile. And then he told an old time snake story, something like this:

"You've heerd of the "Pilot Medders, up near Denton? Well, they don't raise sech pilots anywhere, now adays, as us ter grow up there. They wuz thicker'n hair on a dog in them old times, and there wouldn't no man dast go out there to cut hay less'n he had a piece of sheep-skin with the wool side out tied around his legs. Pilot's teeth pint backwards you know, and when they struck at them sheepskins their teeth would git ketched fast in the wool, and every hour or so the men would hev to stop an' scrape off the snakes that was stickin' fast. It took a heap of their time, but there was mighty good hay growed on them medders and the owners never found no fault. No, there ain't no sech pilots there now.'

A PUGNACIOUS SNAKE.

Chased a Camper Up a Tree but Was Finally Shot.

According to the Port Jervis *Gazette* a pilot snake invaded the camp of a party of Port Jervisites, on Storm's Island, two miles below Carpenter's Point. The snake was shot and killed by James Linley, "but not before it had chased his brother Peter up a tree." It is added that "the snake measured four and a half feet in length and when cut open two young minks and a rat were found inside of it.

A Coal Combine in Binghamton.

Binghamton's Board of Education advertised for bids for coal, and when they were opened, Thursday, it was found that they were all alike. Scenting a combination of dealers, the Board rejected all bids, and authorized the committee, if necessary, to go out of the city for bids.

Hires are a terrible torment to the little folks, and to some older ones. Easily cured. Doan's Ointment never fails. Instant relief, permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

RIDGEBURY.

Correspondence of ARGUS AND MERCURY.

—Rev. T. Brittain, of Ridgebury, having been called to the funeral of E. T. Calkin, of Cochecton, to-morrow, he will be absent from his pulpit.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

Notes of Sunday Services and Other Matters of Religious Interest.

—St. Paul's M. E. Church, Rev. Frank L. Wilson, D. D., pastor—Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 30 p. m., Sunday School, 9:30 a. m., class meeting, 9:45 a. m.; Junior Epworth League, 2 p. m.; Epworth League prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m. Seats free and strangers cordially invited.

—North Street M. E. Church—Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. Robert Lawrence, Superintendent. All are invited. On Thursday evening prayer meeting.

—Dr. Robert Bruce Clark, of Goshen, will preach, to-morrow, at Second Presbyterian Church in exchange with Dr. Beattie.

—W. C. T. U., 134 North street—Services at 2:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

—Free Christian Church—Sunday School, 11 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Gospel Temperance Union this evening.

—First Presbyterian Church—Regular preaching service in the morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. D. J. McMillan, D. D., of New York city. Service in the evening at 7:30. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., and Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. In accordance with the President's proclamation the services in the evening will take the form of a thanksgiving service.

—Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. T. J. Jackson, pastor—Preaching, 11:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Sunday School, 3:00 p. m.; Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. A cordial invitation and welcome is extended to all.

—Faith Mission, 11 Mill street, Elder D. L. Conkling, pastor. You will be made welcome to any or all of the services at the Mission. Sunday School, 2 p. m.; gospel service at 3 p. m.

—First Congregational Church, Rev. W. A. Robinson, D. D., pastor—Sunday School, 9:45 a. m.; preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Young people's service, 6:30 p. m. In the morning a special service of thanksgiving according to the recommendation of the President. In the evening the pastor will preach by request to the Knights of Pythias. Cordial welcome to all.

—Grace (Episcopal) Church—Rev. D. J. Evans, B. A., Rector—Fifth Sunday after Trinity. Holy communion, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a. m., morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m., evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 o'clock.

—Christ Church (Universalist) Assembly Rooms 61 North street. Rev. J. Newton Emery pastor. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Public worship at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Junior Union at 3 p. m. All are cordially invited. Morning subject "Elijah at the Cave of Horeb." Evening subject in accordance with the President's proclamation "Thanksgiving for Victories and Prayers for Peace." All are invited.

—North Street Congregational Church. Morning service at 10:30 a. m. Preaching by the pastor Rev. J. W. Norris. Sunday School, 12 m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Seats free. Strangers welcome.

—Second Presbyterian Church, Rev. Charles Beattie, D. D., pastor—Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; C. E. meeting 6:30 p. m. Juniors meet at 3 p. m.

—First Baptist Church, Rev. Frank A. Heath, pastor. Bible School at 9:30 a. m., morning service at 11 a. m., prayer meeting at 3:00 p. m. Seats free. You are welcome. Morning subject: "National Thanksgiving to God." Evening subject "The Awful Catastrophe, the Wreck of La Bourgogne."

—A. M. E. Zion Church, Rev. J. W. McCoy, pastor. Will preach at 11 a. m. on the present war with Spain. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Children's Day exercises will be rendered at 7:45 p. m. All welcome.

Dr. Miles' Pain Pills are guaranteed to relieve in all cases of pain, or money refunded. They cost a dime.

INVERTED PATRIOTISM.

Mr. Dudler Makes a Little Mistake in Hoisting the Stars and Stripes.

Dudler is intensely patriotic. His friends have been aware of this for some time, so when he purchased a large flag and proceeded to raise it over his house, they were not surprised, says the Detroit Free Press.

It was dark before Dudler succeeded in getting everything ready and the flag hoisted, and, with the remark that there would be a surprise in the neighborhood when the morning dawned, he went inside.

But it was Dudler who was surprised on the following morning. When he stepped out upon his porch he found that every window in the neighborhood had an angry occupant. Even the old maid who lived next door had drawn her lace curtains aside, and when Dudler appeared shook her fist at him.

"I'll move out of this neighborhood as soon as I can find another house," muttered Dudler to himself. "I won't live in such a nest of Spanish sympathizers."

Then a stranger came along, looked up at the flag and immediately pulled off his coat and wanted to fight Dudler.

What the outcome would have been is a matter of speculation, for at this point a policeman arrived on the scene, gave one look at the flag and ordered Dudler to haul it down.

"Wh-a-at?" gasped Dudler.

"Take it down," ordered the policeman, "or I'll run you in."

This was too much. Dudler was proceeding to pull off his coat preparatory to fighting the whole police force, when he stopped long enough to take one look at the beloved flag he was about to defend. Then he wilted. Old Glory was upside down.

Dudler apologized, righted his beloved flag, and peace reigned once more in the neighborhood.

NOISES OF THE NIGHT.

Concerning Summer Sleep Preventives and Their Treatment in the Police Court.

At this season of the year, when roosters crow at daylight in the morning, dogs bark late at night and the street vender yells his wares, the police are the recipients of hundreds of complaints from citizens who must, by reason of the heat, keep their doors and windows open. For the information of those concerned, the Washington Post has obtained what is cited as the determination of the police court in such cases.

It has been held that where a person is disturbed by unnecessary noises, such as has been mentioned, it does not come within the province of the police officer to arrest those responsible, unless the police officer himself should be disturbed. In other words, the party whose peace or rest is interfered with by the crowing or barking must first procure a warrant against the owner of the fowl or dog which causes the disturbances. The officer then proceeds to bring the owner of the offending creature to justice. Where persons denounce loud crying by hucksters, accompanied by written complaint, the police officer has been permitted a hearing in court.

In determining cases in court it has been made a rule that a party crying his wares must not make noise enough to be heard more than a square. Just how a single police officer is to determine the "length" of a vender's cry is what is now puzzling him.

The Changes of Time.

Mrs. Crawford—Don't you think those bone sirloin steaks are the best?

Mrs. Crabshaw—I used to when I was first married, but now my husband always cuts out the tenderloin for himself.—N. Y. Journal.

"Life Renewer" For Ladies.

Olivia Peterson, of Coldwater, Mich., writes: "I had not been able to sit up a half a day at a time for thirteen years until I used the *Mystic Life Renewer*. It has cured me of nervous troubles, headache and a very bad stomach. It has helped me in so many ways, and cured me of afflictions that the doctors said could not be cured. The blessed Life Renewer has done more for me than all the Patent Medicines, Doctors and Christian Science treatments combined. It is the most wonderful medicine I ever saw."

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Interested People.

Advertising a patent medicine in the peculiar way in which the proprietor of Kemp's Balsam for Coughs and Colds does it, is indeed wonderful. He authorizes all druggists to give to those who call for it, a sample bottle Free, that they may try it before purchasing. The large bottles are 25 and 50c. We certainly would advise a trial. It may save on from consumption.

The Honesdale National Bank has declared its usual semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent., and an extra dividend of 2½ per cent. Eight shares of the bank's stock, par value $50, were sold recently for $120 each.

A little life may be sacrificed to an hour's delay. Cholera infantum, dysentery, diarrhoea come suddenly. Only safe plan is to have Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry always on hand.

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Distressing Kidney and Bladder disease relieved in six hours by "NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." It is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in bladder, kidneys and back, in male or female. Relieves retention of water almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is the remedy. Sold by J. E. Mills, druggist Middletown, N. Y.

It's a mistake to imagine that itchin piles can't be cured; a mistake to suffer a day longer than you can help. Doan's Ointment brings instant relief and permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

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Notice is hereby given that the Assessors of the city of Middletown, N. Y., have completed the assessment roll for the present year, and that a copy thereof is left at the City Clerk's office, Times Building, corner of King and Centre streets, in said city, where the same may be seen and examined by any person interested until July 11th, 1898, and on that day the assessors will meet at said City Clerk's office to review their assessments, on application of any person considering themselves aggrieved.

Dated June 18th, 1898.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., July 9.—Fair, except showers in southern portion, to-night; Sunday fair; cooler to-night, northerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day: 7 a. m., 73°: 12p. m., 82°; 3m., 83°.

The appropriations made at the session of Congress which ended yesterday, reached the enormous total of $892,527,991, of which $361,788,095 was on account of the war.

Spain's bluff of sending Camara's fleet to the Philippines was promptly called by ordering Watson's squadron to bombard Spanish cities. It cost $160,000 to get Camara's fleet through the Suez Canal, and it will cost as much more to get it back, so the total cost of seeing Watson is $320,000.

The anthracite coal trade was demoralized, Friday, and the stocks of the coal roads were depressed by the news that the Lackawanna had made a cut of fifty cents in the price of stove coal at Chicago and other western points. This is the third cut the Lackawanna has made in the western market within a few weeks, and though it nominally maintains its eastern prices the condition of the market is so unsatisfactory that it is predicted that tidewater prices will soon be cut and that general demoralization will be the result.

The Republican organization of New York city notified Gov. Black, Friday, that they had no use for any election legislation and that they wanted control of the New York police board or nothing. Gov. Black assured the New York men that he had not changed his mind as to the unwisdom of ripping up the New York charter and the city Republicans went home in a huff. In the meantime the Republican members of the Senate and Assembly who are trying to draft a State supervision of election bill are having troubles of their own. They will not sanction Gov. Black's scheme for a State election board, for the members from the rural counties say the people will not stand the expense that it involves and to devise special legislation that will reach New York city and not the rest of the State.—and which shall not seem to be special legislation, is too big an undertaking for even Republican statesmen in midsummer. It was the general belief in Albany, Friday, that the extra session of the legislature would adjourn without being able to put through a measure changing the election laws.

A strong sentiment is developing among the Democrats of this and adjoining counties in favor of the nomination of Hon. Thomas E. Benedict, of Ulster county, for Governor. It is more than doubtful if among all the Democrats whose names have been mentioned in connection with this high honor, there is any one who so fully meets all requisites as Mr. Benedict. He is a man of proved ability and honesty. He has held many public positions and has filled them all honorably and successfully. As member of Assembly and Deputy Comptroller and Deputy Secretary of State, he acquired a thorough knowledge of the details of State government and if by the wise action of his party in its nominating convention and the approval of the citizens of the State at the polls he is placed at the head of the State government there will be no more canal scandals, no more Pilinghastism, no more scandal, of any kind in the State's affairs. He will clean house at Albany as he did in the public printing office at Washington. Above all, Mr. Benedict is a Democrat,—not as a matter of policy, but as a matter of principle, because he believes that the welfare of the people can be best secured and promoted through the triumph of the ideas and principles on which the Democratic party is founded.

A TEN DAYS' ARMSTICE.

MADRID, July 9—The *Liberal* says the Cabinet is considering the signing of a ten days' armistice to facilitate peace negotiations.

DIED.

PORTER—In this city, July 8, '98, Charles H Porter, aged thirty-six years, eight months, [illegible] enty seven days.

[illegible]ral services will be held Sunday at the resi[illegible] of his father in law, Cooper Degraw, No [illegible]h street, at two-thirty o'clock. Inter[illegible] family plot in Hillside Cemetery.

[illegible]—In this city, July 9, '98, No. 211 West [illegible], James Alfred Weller, aged seventy-[illegible].

[illegible]e Monday afternoon, at two [illegible] residence of his son-in-law, Wm [illegible]est Main street. Relatives and [illegible]d of the family are invited to at[illegible]get notice

[illegible]esbury, July 8, '98, Bessie, [illegible] of Daniel and Carrie Wick[illegible].

[illegible]metery, Sunday after-

THE SPANISH SHIPS.

Admiral Sampson Thinks Three May Be Saved.

MORE TALK OF PEACE.

Camara's Fleet Hurrying Back to Spain.

THREE SPANISH VESSELS MAY BE SAVED.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Admiral Sampson has cabled the Navy Department that in his opinion three of the Spanish vessels may be saved.

The Colon is certainly in good condition, he reports, and there are reasonable hopes of saving the Maria Teresa and Vizcaya.

This is the only news received from Sampson in a day or more, the cables apparently being interrupted or in bad working order. It is expected at the Navy Department that the onslaught on the forts at the entrance to the harbor of Santiago will begin, to-day.

A STEAMER ON FIRE.

The Delaware, of the Charleston Line, Abandoned — Passengers and Crew Saved.

ATLANTIC CITY, July 9.—The Barnegat, N. J., life saving station reports that the Clyde line steamer Delaware, from New York for Charleston and Jacksonville, was abandoned off Barnegat, last night, at 10 o'clock, the steamer at the time being on fire. Passengers and crew left the burning vessel in boats and on life rafts.

There were seventy persons in all, and they were rescued by members of the Cedar Creek Life Saving Station, with the aid of the crew of the fishing smack S. P. Miller. All were transferred to the steam yacht Ocean Queen, and the captain and twelve of the crew of the ill-fated steamer were landed at Barnegat, presumably to look after the ship. It is believed the others will be taken by the Ocean Queen to New York.

THINK SANTIAGO WILL SURRENDER

IN FRONT OF SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 8th, via Port Antonio, July 9th.—There has been absolutely no change in the situation at Santiago during the past twenty-four hours. The Spanish authorities are taking time to consider the proposition to surrender and no answer will be made before Saturday noon.

A general feeling among American officers is that a surrender will be made, not necessarily Saturday, but they believe that date will be the beginning of final negotiations.

FIRING THE SPANISH HEART.

MADRID, July 9.—It is rumored here that the Spanish Government has received a dispatch from Captain General Blanco announcing that Admiral Sampson has sent him a telegraphic dispatch summoning the Spanish commander to order the evacuation of Cuba within 48 hours and announcing that otherwise the Americans will bombard all forts in Cuba.

HAWAIIAN COMMISSIONERS NAMED

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The President has appointed Senator Cullen, of Illinois, Senator Morgan, of Alabama, Representative Hitt, of Illinois, Sanford Dole, President of Hawaiian Republic, and W. F. Frear, of Hawaii to be commissioners under Hawaiian annexation resolutions.

NO OVERTURES FOR PEACE MADE

LONDON, July 9.—Officials of the Foreign Office say there is absolutely no truth in the report published in the New York papers, this morning, to the effect that Spain has made informal overtures for peace through the British ambassador at Madrid.

SPAIN'S TORPEDO BOATS GOING HOME.

MESSINA, July 9.—The Spanish torpedo boats Audaz, Prosperina and Casade belonging to Admiral Camara's fleet have arrived here from Port Said on their way back to Spain.

THE CHINESE REBELLION.

CANTON, July 9.—The rebels have captured Moning and Tienpack and are now surrounding Wu-Chuen-Sin, in Kwang-Tung.

Many internal revenue officers have been killed. The situation at Woo-Chou is critical. A great exodus of wealthy natives is taking place.

CAMARA'S FLEET AT PORT SAID

PORT SAID, July 9.—Six of the vessels belonging to the fleet of Admiral Camara have arrived here from Suez on their way back to Spain.

ATTACK ON SANTIAGO POSTPONED

WASHINGTON, July 9.—At 2 p. m. Secretary Alger said that the attack on Santiago had not yet begun and he gave the impression that it had been postponed.

SERIOUS WRECK AT RIDGEWOOD

Twenty-one Freight Cars Piled in a Heap and Two Employes Injured—Traffic Interrupted for Many Hours—The Most Expensive Wreck the Erie Has Had in Years.

The Erie had a serious wreck at Ridgewood Junction, Friday afternoon, by which twenty-one freight cars were piled in a heap and the engineer and fireman were injured.

The wreck occurred about 5:30, and for thirteen hours all four tracks were blocked, and the most expensive wreck the Erie has had in a long time confronted its officials.

The train consisted of forty-nine cars and thirteen of them had air brakes. The engine was in charge of Engineer John Cook and James Hayes, fireman. The conductor was Jame McCoy, all of Port Jervis.

The engine jumped the track at the frog, and ran straight for the tower between the main line and the short cut, followed by the train. The engineer is believed to have set his air breaks and jumped, followed by the fireman. The engine stopped a few feet from the tower, and twenty-one freight cars, all heavy box cars, loaded with glass, tobacco, flour and general merchandise, piled up in one disordered heap.

The head brakeman was standing on the fourteenth car, and when he saw the cars piling up ahead he ran with all speed to the twenty-second car, where he was when the danger had passed.

The engineer was found beside the track, cut and dazed, and the fireman, his arm broken, was pulled out of a heap of flour, half suffocated. The cab of the engine was smashed to tooth picks, and it is believed that if the engineer and fireman had not jumped they would have been killed. They were both taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, Paterson.

Nos. 8, 2 and 30 were sent around the wreck over the Piermont branch. No. 3 was late in getting here, and the Middletown way reached here at 4 this morning.

NO STEPS TOWARD PEACE YET.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The belief that a step toward peace will soon be taken continues strong, but it is stated positively that no overtures have come from Spain, and of course overtures must come from that country.

It is also stated at the British, French, German and other embassies and legations that no movement toward peace has been inaugurated of which they have knowledge. If anything of the kind is under way it is on the other side of the water.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, July 9, '98.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	132¼	132½
Tobacco	122¾	122⅝
Chicago Gas	100	100
Nat. Lead	34½	—
General Electric	40	40
U. S. L., pref	66⅝	66½
Tenn. Coal and Iron	25½	26
A. T. & S. F	13¼	13¼
C. B. & Q	106¾	107⅛
C. M. & St. P	99⅝	100½
R. I	96⅞	97½
D. L. & W	—	—
C. of N. J	90¼	90½
Erie	18½	19⅛
D. and H	106⅜	106⅝
O. & W	14⅞	15
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref	—	—
P. & R	17¾	18⅛
N. W	127⅝	129⅛
L. S	—	—
N. Y. C	118¾	119¼
M. P	36½	36
Texas	—	12¼
U. P	24	24¼
W. Union	92⅝	93¼
L. & N	54	54⅝
Manhattan	105½	106
P. M	29½	29
Wabash, pref	19⅜	19¼
No. Pacific, pref	70¼	70⅝
Metropolitan Traction	—	159⅞
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	55⅛	55⅝
Southern, pref	30¾	31
Sept Wheat	69	68½
Sept Corn	32⅜	32½
Sept Oats	20¼	20⅛
Sept. Pork	$10 00	$9 92
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LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—Lancelot Lodge will atttend divine services at the First Congregational Church, to-morrow night.

—John Cameron, the North street marketman, will close his market, to-night. His future plans are not announced.

—The bicycle which was found by Officer John Vail, on Hanford street, Thursday night, is still at Police Headquarters awaiting an owner.

—Diphtheria seems to have gained a firm foothold in Paterson, and the Health Board is doing its best to keep the disease in check. Twenty cases have been reported within a few days, eight of them on Friday.

—German carp have worked their way up the river as far as Walton and local fishermen by the use of woven wire as a net have succeeded in impounding and capturing several of them.

—Dennis Boice, of near Walton, came in heated from a long bicycle ride a few evenings ago and drank eight glasses of ice water in twenty minutes. He was dead next morning.

PERSONAL.

—Hon. Henry A. Brann, of New York, is spending a week at the Gavin farm.

—E. Millen and family went to Port Jefferson, L. I., to-day.

—A. Ruppel, of New York, is visiting at H. Enslin's, on Hanford street.

—Talcott and Theodora Vanamee, of Newburgh, are guests of the Misses Book.

—William Stengel, of Lackawack, who has been visiting in this city, returned home, to-day.

—Rev. Robert Bruce Clark, of Goshen will preach to-morrow at the Second Presbyterian Church in exchange with Dr. Beattie.

—Lieut. Chamberlain of the regular army will muster in, Monday, fifty or more recruits who have been secured at Kingston.

—Miss Sadie Willis, of this city, left to-day for Port Jervis and Deckertown, where she will visit friends and relatives.

—Miss Dunning, of New York, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Dutton, on West Main street.

—Miss Nellie P. Lyon returned home, last night, from a ten days' visit to friends in Paterson, N. J.

—Mr. and Mrs. James E. Brazee, of Middletown, have been spending several days with Walton friends.—*Reporter.*

—Miss Carrie Redeker, of Sheffield, Pa., accompanied Miss Carrie Horton to this city, Friday night.

—Wm. Goldsmith, of Middletown, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Charles Kniffin.—*Livingston Manor Ensign.*

—Mrs. Wright and daughter, Mrs. George F. Bailey, are spending a fortnight at Riverside, a suburb of Paterson.

—Miss Lillian Wiggins and Miss Lillian J. Cox went to Boston, to-day, to attend the summer school in music.

—Miss Susie Fisk, of New York city, who has been the guest of Mrs. George M. Millspaugh, returned home, to-day.

—Rev. Marshall F. Montgomery, of Huron, South Dakota, will preach at the First Congregational Church, to-morrow morning.

—Mrs. F. B. Paisey and son John, of New York, are visiting the former's parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. L. Wilson.

—Miss Edna Smith, of Middletown, is the guest of Miss Pearl Gear.—*Walton Reporter.*

—Miss Nellie Langton, of Matamoras, has returned home after a week's visit with her friend, Miss Hattie Parsons, of Middletown.—*Union.*

—Geo. Hermann, of New York city, who spent the Fourth with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Hermann, returned to New York, last night.

—Mrs. Salinda Schindler, of Middletown is spending a week with relatives in this place and vicinity.—*Callicoon Democrat.*

—Horace K. Devereux, a son of Hon. Alvin Devereux, of Deposit, who is a lieutenant in Troop K of the Rough Riders, was shot through the left arm in the fight near Santiago.

A Plague of Rats.

Matteawan stores seem to be infested with rats, which it is impossible to get rid of. They seem to travel in groups and spend a day or two in a store and then go on to another, doing much damage to goods. They have even ruined shoes by nibbling at them and destroyed a dozen pairs of kid gloves in a show window.

Hives are a terrible torment to the little folks, and to some older ones. Easily cured. Doan's Ointment never fails. Instant relief, permanent cure. At any drug store, 50 cents.

FOUND ALONG THE TRACK.

The Dead Body of a Month Old Infant Picked Up Near Guymard.

E. P. Nolan, night operator in the G. W. tower, near Guymard, while on his way home, Friday morning, met about half a mile from Guymard station, Erie track walker Gibbons, who had just thrown a package from the track, which had attracted the attention of several dogs.

Mr. Nolan having more curiosity than Mr. Gibbons opened the package and found it contained the body of a male infant, a month old, with dark curly hair.

The *Union* says that the package was wrapped in reddish colored manila wrapping paper. Inside this was a linen covering and next to the little body was a cotton wrapping, the body being perfectly nude. The mouth of the dead infant had been stuffed with cotton, otherwise Mr. Nolan did not notice any marks of violence. He says the back of the child's body had begun to show marks of decomposition but otherwise it appeared to have very recently died.

The body was put in a box and taken to the Guymard station to await the disposition of the coroner. The package on the outside was fastened with two large pins, but when discovered the paper was not torn or mutilated in the least, evidently having been put up with great deliberation and care.

Two suppositions are advanced. One is that the package was thrown off one of the fast night trains or it had been placed there by some one in the immediate neighborhood.

Coroner Harding will make an investigation.

GARCIA'S DAUGHTER NOT DYING

Is an Invalid and Goes on Crutches but Not Seriously Ill.

Gen. Garcia's daughter who, a few days ago, was reported to be dying at Liberty, is apparently very far from death's door. The Liberty *Register* says:

Mrs. Garcia, her two sons, Mario, aged eighteen, and Calixto, aged twelve, and two daughters, Mercedes, aged fifteen, and Hermnia, aged thirteen are guests at George Cooper's. The young lady referred to as being in a dying condition, is doing well. She had an attack of malarial fever recently, but is all right as far as any fever is concerned at the present time. She is an invalid and uses two crutches when she walks. She was down stairs and played a few pieces on the piano last Sunday, and took a short walk in the yard. She is naturally quite frail but says she is enjoying herself very much.

OVATION TO THE FIRST.

The Regiment Received With Enthusiasm all Along the Erie—San Francisco Planning a Hearty Welcome.

The First Regiment was given an ovation all along the line of the Erie, the most noteworthy demonstrations being at Susquehanna, where the train stopped to change engines, and at Binghamton, where a stop of ten minutes was made to give Binghamton people a chance to say good-bye to the members of Company H, of that city. At Elmira and Jamestown the boys were given rousing welcomes.

New York State people in San Francisco are preparing to give the regiment, on its arrival there, such a reception as New York troops never received before.

THE BAND CONCERT.

Enjoyed by a Large Crowd—A Black and White Diversion.

The concert given by the 24th Band, Friday night, drew a large and appreciative audience. Every available seat in the vicinity was filled, and promenaders crowded the walks around the park.

The concert was given with fine effect, each number being heartily enjoyed.

A fight between a good-sized white boy who was called "Skinny" and a little bit of a colored boy held the attention of the crowd for a few moments, until an old gentleman gave the big "Skinny" a deserved caning. Shortly after this two policemen put in an appearance, and there was no more excitement.

THRALL HOSPITAL.

Record of Its Work for the Quarter Ended July 1st.

The managers of Thrall Hospital, through the secretary of the board, Miss Belle Horton, make the following report of the work of the hospital for the quarter ended July 1st:

Number of patients in hospital, April 1st, 9; admitted during the quarter, 38; total, 47; discharged cured, 18; discharged improved, 16; discharged unimproved, 2; died 6; remaining in hospital, July 1st, 5; total 47; number of public patients treated during the quarter, 15; total number of days' support of public patients, 184.

Knew His Work on Earth Was Nearly Done.

A. D. Crary, an old and respected resident of the town of Colchester, worked as usual Thursday, June 30, and on going to the house in the evening told his wife that his work on earth was done. Apparently he was not ill but he died the next day.

Thanksgivings for Victories and Prayers for Peace.

Two of Middletown's churches, the First Presbyterian and Universalist, announce that in accordance with the President's recommendation they will, at the Sunday evening services, offer thanksgiving for victories and prayers for peace.

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OBITUARY.

Charles H. Foster.

Charles H. Foster, mention of whose serious illness has often been made in this paper, died Friday evening at 8:30 o'clock. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Foster and was born Oct. 12, 1861 at Westtown. He came to Middletown with his parents in 1871, and early showed a disposition to provide for himself, and his first attempt to do so was when he secured a position as newsboy on the O. & W. which he held for some time. Then he learned the printers' trade in the office of this paper and worked at his trade here and in New York and at last engaged with the Mergenthaler Linotype Co. in Brooklyn. He gave the best of satisfaction to his employers and won their confidence in the fullest degree and was soon promoted to the very responsible position of tester of the machines before their shipment from the factory. He remained with the Mergenthaler company until July, 1896, when he was compelled to resign on account of ill health. As soon as able, in October, he went to Colorado, remaining there until August, 1897, when his health again failing he returned to Middletown and slowly declined until his death.

Mr. Foster was married April 9, 1884, to Carrie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cooper DeGraw, who survives him with one child, eighteen months old.

Before removing to Brooklyn Mr. Foster joined the 24th Separate Company and served his full time as a member of the organization.

Mr. Foster, with his wife, joined the M. E. Church in this city when Rev. B. H. Burch was pastor, and for Mr. Burch he always retained an ardent affection. When he removed to Brooklyn he joined one of the churches there and was soon elected one of the trustees, and did good work for the church while in office. On his return to this city he again resumed his membership with St. Paul's.

Mr. Foster had a large circle of friends who held him in high esteem and who have watched with sorrow the steady failing of his health and strength.

Besides his wife and child he is survived by his parents and a brother, Frank C. Foster.

The funeral will be held from his late residence, No. 8 North street, at 2:30 p. m.

Horton H. Stanton.

Horton H. Stanton, a well known resident of Wurtsboro, died, Friday morning. He is survived by two sons and one daughter. The deceased was the grandfather of Mrs. B. F. Van Sickle. He was a well known fisherman, and many Middletowners have followed his guidance on pleasure trips.

James A. Weller.

James Alfred Weller passed quietly to rest at noon, to-day, at the home of his son-in-law, William Cauthers, at 211 West Main street. Mr. Weller was in the seventy-ninth year of his age. The immediate cause of his death was heart trouble.

FREE BALLOON ASCENSIONS.

Miss Nina Madison Is Here and Will Make An Ascension at Midway Park, To-Night, Without Fail—Two Ascensions To-Morrow.

Although twice disappointed by balloonists whom it had engaged, the Traction company was determined to keep faith with the public and give it the free ascensions advertised to take place at Midway Park. The company has, accordingly, at large expense, secured a male and a female balloonist, but warned by past experiences did not announce their engagement until it had them safe and sound at a Middletown hotel and knew that there was no risk of disappointing the public.

Miss Nina Madison will positively make an ascension at Midway Park, this evening, at 7:30 o'clock and descend from an enormous height by means of a parachute.

There will also be ascensions at 3 o'clock to-morrow afternoon and 7:30 o'clock to-morrow evening.

Additional attractions at Midway Park, this evening, are a vaudeville performance at 8 o'clock and dancing at 10 o'clock.

Many Members of the 10th Company Volunteer.

From the Newburgh Journal.

Thursday evening at the meeting of the 10th Separate Company, sixty-five men out of the seventy-five present volunteered to go to the front after being assured by Captain Hunter that the company would be accepted in a body and that they would be commanded by their own officers. Some members who were not present sent word that they desired to be placed among the volunteers.

Came Near Being Passengers on La Bourgogne.

Hon. Henry C. Kelsey, ex-Secretary of State of New Jersey, and a cousin of W. H. McCarter, of this city, had engaged passage on La Burgogne for himself, wife and his wife's sister, Mrs. Theodore Simonson, wife of a former district attorney of Sussex county. A business engagement of Mr. Kelsey's prevented their going and saved their lives.

Banks Dividends.

—The Farmers' National Bank of Deckertown, on July 1st, declared its usual semi-annual dividend of 5 per cent. besides adding a neat amount to the surplus fund.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

A Street Improvement—Home from Their Wedding Journey—Recovered from a Bicycle Accident—Has Entered Yale College.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Murray avenue is being curbed and guttered between Church and Grand streets.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Epple have returned from their wedding trip and commenced housekeeping in the Lander house on Greenwich street.

—A. M. Frankel, who has been at his home in New York city recovering from a broken collar bone, the result of a bicycle accident on Memorial Day, has returned to Goshen and resumed his position.

—Percy V. D. Gott has successfully taken the preliminary examinations and will enter Yale College in the fall.

—Dudley Murray will spend the next few weeks at Asbury Park.

—Edward C. Haight, of New York city, has been in town for a day or two.

AN EXCITING RUNAWAY.

A Frightened Horse's Dash Through Washington and South Streets.

There was an exciting runaway on Washington and South streets, Friday night, during the band concert. A single carriage had two men occupants, and the horse dashed from Academy avenue into Washington street. He was entirely beyond control, and at East avenue, the men jumped out. The horse ran on up the hill to South street and turned down leaving the wagon top and the seat at that point.

The horse ran on out South street, and may be running yet for all that an ARGUS reporter has been able to learn to the contrary.

A Surplus of Milk.

The condensery people at New Berlin are independent and particular. Last Saturday morning they sent about 8,000 pounds of milk home because it was not down to the degree of coolness named in the contracts with the farmers, yet it was perfectly sweet. One large load took over thirty cans home.

To Harvest the Hay and Grain on the Cummings Farm.

The new owner of the Cummings farm in Wawayanda has arranged with James H. Horton, of this city, to harvest the crop of hay and grain now growing on the place. The amount to be paid for the work is understood to be $250.

A Walton Sergeant Married.

Sergeant J. Harris Sawyer and Miss Lulu Tooker were married, Tuesday evening, at Trinity Church, New York city. The wedding occurred just on the eve of Sergeant Sawyer's departure for Manila with the 1st Regiment.

A Service in German.

There will be divine service in German, Sunday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, in the Y. M. C. A. hall. All are invited. All persons possessing "Gesangbuchs" are requested to bring them.

Mail and Papers Were Late.

The Erie milk train, No. 17, did not reach here until 9 o'clock, to-day, owing to the wreck at Ridgewood Junction. There was much grumbling about the absence of New York papers.

Entertained the Whippoorwills.

The Wawayanda Whippoorwills were hospitably entertained at the Sutton farm, near Slate Hill, Friday night. There was a large attendance.

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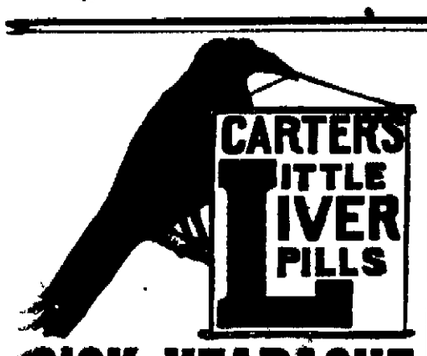

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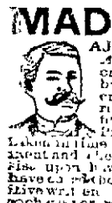

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DRAFT OF VEHICLES.

Methods of Harnessing a Horse So as to Get the Best Result Described by Prof. Edgerton.

Prof. J. J. Edgerton, of the Iowa agricultural college, has been making a special study of the methods for harnessing a horse so as to get the best results. It is an old and popular idea, he says, that a loaded wagon will draw easier when the greater part of the load is placed over the front wheels. As a rule, the horse will do his work more easily if he is placed near it; there being less lost motion. The driver also will be able to keep his operations more completely under his control. In the case just cited the opposite of the general supposition is true. This is due to a difference in the size of the fore and hind wheels. The surface over which a load is drawn being more or less thickly set with obstacles over which the wheels must pass, it stands to reason that a wheel with a diameter of five feet will be much more easily raised over a given obstacle than will one of four feet; the leverage being so much greater in the first case. If we suppose the load brought to a curbstone six inches in height, over which it must be raised, the load on the five-foot wheels will be brought over one-third easier than an equal load on the four-foot wheels, because the leverage in the first case is one-third greater. It must not be supposed, however, that the present tendency toward low-wheeled wagons is a move altogether in the wrong direction, for the greater width of tire preventing the wheel from sinking so deeply into soft ground, lessening the height to which the load must be lifted, helps to counterbalance the evil tendency.—Journal of Agriculture.

HIS NAME IS LEGION.

The Farmer Who Neglects to Keep the Walk from House to Barn in Good Condition.

Some farmers need a little "good roads" agitation right at home. When a day's rain makes the walk from house to barn or other buildings which must be visited every day so deep in mud that they are unfit to travel without rubber boots or stout cowhides, the farmer needs to be made to stay in the house the next day and scrub up the muddy floors with mop and scrubbing brush. Possibly they would think two such jobs required more hard work than would be required to make good walks of small stones about a foot deep, and covered with another foot of gravel, that never would be muddy.

And then there are roads through the field where the team can only draw out about half a load of manure, or draw in more than a half load of hay or vegetables, because of some mudhole or rock, or other bad place in it which might be fixed with a few hours' labor, but is neglected because it is not seen every day, and then at times when the men and teams are too busy to fix it up.

We once heard an old farmer say that he thought the Almighty made small stones and gravel on purpose to make roads of, which might have been his way of expressing the idea that material seemingly worthless could be put to good use.—American Cultivator.

THE MIDDLE-AGED MAN.

He Recalls in Reminiscent Way the Picturesque House Illuminations of Fifty Years Ago.

"Lighting of every description," said the middle-aged man in the New York Sun, "is brighter, more brilliant and more striking now than ever before; but there was in vogue, say 50 years ago, a method of illumination for purposes of celebration that it seems to me was more picturesque than any one of the methods that have supplanted it. I refer to the illumination of houses by placing candles in the windows.

"Windows in those days were not made as they are commonly nowadays, with one or two lights, but they were made with six or nine lights of glass to each sash, so a window had usually 12 or 18 panes of glass. Candles were placed at the windows, one at each pane in holders specially made for the use, a little triangular piece of tin with a short socket soldered upon it. This holder was held in place simply by crowding the sharp corner of it into the sash below the glass. The candles were not lighted until the approach of the procession.

"A house front with a light twinkling in every pane of every window was a picturesque sight indeed, and a whole street of houses thus illuminated made a fairy spectacle."

Noiseless Guns Next.

For some years inventors have been trying to devise a gun which would be tactically silent and which when fired would also give no indication of its position. Powders more or less smokeless have been introduced, but it may be doubted whether it is possible to contrive a gun both flashless and noiseless. Col. Humbert hopes to do this by a device for closing the extremity of the gun as soon as the projectile has made its exit, so that there shall be no flash, and that the air shall be prevented from abruptly entering the piece—such entrances being one of the causes of detonation.

Shoe Wear.

A shoemaker says we wear away quite two inches of shoe leather in a year. A pair of boots that would "last a lifetime" would consequently have to be provided with soles from eight to nine feet thick.

Would Any Wife?

Judge (to wife of defendant)—So you were present when your husband broke into the girls' high school?

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Consumption approaches its victim step by step. First there is a little "out of sorts" feeling, the digestion isn't just right, the appetite falls off, the liver is inactive, the assimilation of the life-giving elements of the food is imperfect, the blood gets impure and the body is improperly nourished. These conditions get worse and worse. The heart through the arterial system is pumping thin, poisonous blood into every organ of the body. The organs that are inherently weakest break down first. Ordinarily the lungs. As the last straw that breaks the camel's back comes a cold, however slight. This, with the accompanying cough, completes the work and an invasion of the germs of consumption follows. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures 98 per cent. of all cases of consumption. It corrects the conditions that lead up to it. It is the greatest blood-maker and flesh-builder known.

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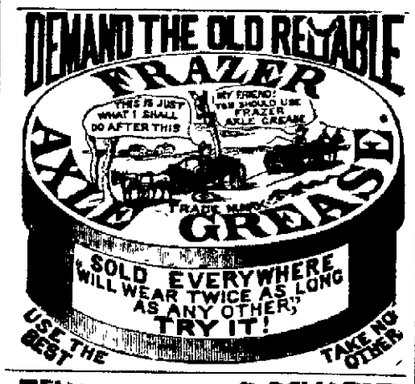
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IMPROVED ELECTRIC LAMP.

One Disagreeable Feature of Old Lamps Is Eliminated in a New Invention.

Many schemes, such as ground and colored glass, have been tried with the idea of eliminating the disagreeable glare from the tiny filament of the electric light, but all of them have been attended by loss of light. What is said to change the surface of the globe entirely into a luminous body, doing away with the extreme brilliance of the filament, is the spiral feature. This is done by winding around the globe, from the spike to the tip, a thin cord of glass, like the cord wrapped around a top, says the Chicago Journal.

The manner in which the spiral is applied to the bulb is interesting. It is made first out of rod glass bent on a sharper of the same form as the particular sample of glow lamp, and in its separate state is quite a springy affair. To get it on the bulb it is divided halfway down, the halves are blown together when in place, and the end of the spiral is blown into the spike of the lamp. The other end is secured by an extension of the brass cap. It will be observed that there is actual junction only at the two poles, so that there is no danger of the bulb cracking under the strain of unequal heating and expansion in the spiral. An important point in the whole matter is that there seems nothing in the process to prevent the finished articles being turned out quite cheaply, which, of course, is the essence of the business from a commercial point of view.

SMALL PATRIOTS.

The Feeling Against Spain Is Kindled in Even the Smallest of Americans.

He was a very little boy, only four years old, and even the present enthusiastic state of patriotism in which the country is existing had not penetrated his small mind, says the New York Times. He did not know what it was to be a patriot, but he does now. On the day that he learned he was playing outdoors with some other small boys whose educations in certain respects were more advanced than his. So, moved by the spirit of the times, the other small boys asked this very small boy whether he was a Spaniard or an American. That was a momentous question, but how should a small boy who had never heard either word before to his knowledge know that? And unfortunately the word Spaniard was either easier for him to pronounce or it appealed more to his imagination, so that he promptly returned that he was a Spaniard.

That was enough; he was a traitor to his country and the other small boys promptly took vengeance and turned in and pummeled him.

"But why didn't you say you were an American?" queried mamma when he came to her in tears a little later. But that was, oh, a great many days ago, and now there is no more stanch little American on the block than the small four-year-old who was taught so forcibly what it meant to be a Spaniard.

FASCINATION OF LIGHT.

The Peculiar Influence It Has Upon Some Animals and Insects.

Many theories have been suggested as to why light attracts moths, but perhaps the best explanation is that it fascinates them as a serpent does a bird. So much is this the case that traps have been devised for their destruction based on this fact. One of these inventions consists of an electric searchlight in connection with a blowing fan. The insects, completely fascinated, are attracted by the light and fly close to the lantern; they are then drawn into a pipe by a suction draught and carried to a sort of mill, which mixes them up with a little flour. The resulting blend is then used for poultry food. When some warships were using their powerful searchlights off the coast of Egypt, at more than two miles from the shore, millions of insects, fascinated by the light, traveled along the beam of light until they struck the glass and fell, where they accumulated into a heap more than two feet in height. Light equally fascinates fishes, and they have been lured to the nets by a glow-light lowered into the water.

LIKE OUR GIRLS.

Lilian Bell Finds Polish Girls in Many Ways Are Like Their American Sisters.

"I could not fail to notice the difference in the young girls as soon as I crossed the Russian frontier and came into the land of the Slav," writes Lilian Bell from Vilna, Russia, in Ladies' Home Journal. "Here at once I found individuality. Polish girls are more like American girls. If you ask a young English girl what she thinks of Victor Hugo she tells you that her mamma does not allow her to read French novels. If you ask a French girl how she likes to live in Paris she tells you that she never went down town alone in her life.

"But the Polish girls are different. They are individual. They all have a personality. When you have met one you never feel as if you had met all. In this respect they resemble American girls, but only in this respect, for, whereas, there is a type of Polish young girl—and a charming type she is—I never in my life saw what I considered a typical American girl. You cannot typify the psychic charm of the young American girl."

Murder Won't "Out."

Only 20 per cent. of the murders committed yearly in America and Europe are ever traced to the perpetrators.

Durability of Plate Glass.

It has been ascertained that plate glass will make a more durable monument than the hardest granite.

SUPREME COURT, County of Orange—David A. Trier, plaintiff, against Middletown-Goshen Traction Company, and James C. Hinchliffe, John Hinchliffe, William F. Hinchliffe, William B. Rockwell, Ernest G. Wightman, Merle J. Wightman, George M. Noble, Trustee, David A. Hunter, Cecilia V. Grant, Benjamin H. Throop, Charles H. Smith, Leander Brink, Thomas Ford, Ralph D. Lacoe, Daniel H. Paris, Anna B. Lewis, Joseph Hey, David R. Miller, Josephine May, William B. Sheppard, Charles M. Winchester, Frederick W. Bleckley, Louis A. Dubring, Enoch Lewis, William W. Lockwood (as executor of the estate of Mary W. Lockwood, deceased), Mahlon S. Stokes, Henry A. Duhring, Isaac M. Thomas, Sally B. Thomas, Theodore R. Graham, Matilda A. Kerbaugh, Edward H. Pyle, Trustee, John G. Clemens, Kate D. Graham, Cornelia W. Shoemaker, William C. Moore, Joseph P. Brosius, George W. Allen, Robert Wetherill, Solomon S. Miller, William W. Doughten, Robert H. Crozer, Edward H. Burling, Theron N. Little, William W. Lockwood, Benjamin F. Low, Andrew D. Seaman, Alexander Coddington, James E. Ramsey, Samuel R. Dickey, Marion L. Sturdevant, John Lewis Crozer, Frank P. S. Crane (the first names of said Low, Seaman, Coddington, Ramsey, Dickey, Sturdevant, Crozer and Crane being fictitious, their real names unknown to this plaintiff), Fidelity Insurance, Trust and Safe Deposit Company (as trustee of the estate of J. Hinckley Clark, deceased), Land Title and Trust Company (as trustee of the estate of Julia Dubring, deceased), James C. Hinchliffe, John Hinchliffe and William F. Hinchliffe, doing business under the firm name and style of "Hinchliffe Bros.," Charles B. Keen and William Y. Carver, doing business under the firm name and style of "Charles B. Keen & Co.," stockholders thereof, Middletown Bloomingburgh Electric Railway Company and James C. Hinchliffe, John Hinchliffe, William B. Rockwell, Ernest G. Wightman, Charles H. Smith, Frank D. LeBar, William B. Royce, James A. Clark, Charles H. Brink, Charles E. Gardner, Henry W. Wiggins, Leander Brink, Alexander E. McIntyre, James E. Barnes, Edward A. Brown (the first names of said McIntyre, Barnes and Brown being fictitious, their real names unknown to this plaintiff), claiming to be stockholders thereof; Middletown-Goshen Traction Company (consolidated) and Charles H. Smith, Charles M. Winchester, George M. Noble, Trustee, Leander Brink, Frederick W. Bleckley, Mahlon S. Stokes, Harriet A. Low, Charles G. M. Thomas, William A. Graaten, Jonathan May, William S. Grant, Jr., Ida VanSteenbergh, Sarah C. Dewey, William W. Lockwood, Ferdinand McKeige, David A. Hunter, William B. Royce, Merle J. Wightman, Cornelia D. McKeige, Sadee A. Thomas, Henry M. Brundage, Hugh H. Douglas, Berhans VanSteenbergh, William W. Doughten, Alexander Coddington, The Trust Company of America, stockholders thereof, defendants.

To the above named defendants: You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated New York, May 24th, 1898.

JAMES HAROLD WARNER, Plaintiff's attorney, office and postoffice address, 120 Broadway, New York.

To the above named defendants: James C. Hinchliffe, John Hinchliffe and William F. Hinchliffe, as individual stockholders and as members of the firm of "Hinchliffe Bros.," a stockholder of the Middletown-Goshen Traction Company, William B. Rockwell, George M. Noble, Trustee, David A. Hunter, William S. Grant, Jr., Cecilia V. Grant, Benjamin H. Throop, Merle J. Wightman, Thomas Ford, William W. Doughten, Samuel R. Dickey, James E. Ramsey, Marion L. Sturdevant, John Lewis Crozer (the first names of said Dickey, Ramsey, Sturdevant and Crozer being fictitious their real name being unknown to this plaintiff), William W. Lockwood, as executor of the estate of Mary W. Lockwood, deceased, and as an individual stockholder of the Middletown-Goshen Traction Company and the Middletown-Goshen Traction Company (consolidated), Ralph D. Lacoe, Daniel H. Paris, Anna B. Lewis, Joseph Hey, Jonathan May, William B. Sheppard, Louis A. Dubring, Enoch Lewis, Mahlon S. Stokes, Henry A. Duhring, Isaac M. Thomas, Sally B. Thomas Theodore R. Graham, Matilda A. Kerbaugh, Edward H. Pyle, Trustee, John G. Clemens, Kate D. Graham, Cornelia W. Shoemaker, William C. Moore, Joseph P. Brosius, George W. Allen, Robert Wetherill, Solomon S. Miller, Robert H. Crozer, Edward H. Burling, Sarah C. Dewey, Charles B. Keen and William Y. Carver, as members of the firm of "Charles B. Keen & Co.," Trust Company of America, Land Title and Trust Company, as trustee of the estate of Julia Dubring, deceased, Fidelity Insurance Trust and Safe Deposit Company, as trustee of the estate of J. Hinckley Clark, deceased.

The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of Hon. Jesse Johnson, a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, dated the 31st day of May, 1898, and filed with the complaint herein in the office of the Clerk of the county of Orange, at the County Court House at Goshen, Orange county, New York, on the 6th day of June, 1898.

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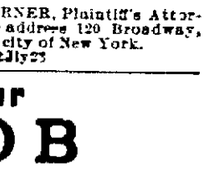

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ON THE TIP OF THE TONGUE.

Bass fishermen are giving the lakes and streams a rest nowadays, and the reason given is that all these bodies of water are "working." Fish feed on the bottom when this condition of the lakes exists, and find plenty without the need of any tempting lures cast in from the shore.

A stranger stopped in a well-known bar-room Friday night, and placing two one hundred dollar bills and one fifty on the bar, asked the proprietor to keep the money until he should call for it. The receiver asked the man's name and offered to give a receipt, but both propositions were declined.

The annual meeting of the State Firemen's Association will be held at Binghamton, this summer, and James B. Carson, F. M. Pronk and J. R. Van Duzer, of the "old guard," and the active Chief Higham, of the younger generation of firemen, are all planning to go. Chief Higham wrote to Chief Hogg to reserve a room at one of the hotels for him during the week of the session, and the Binghamton chief wrote in reply:

"Your room will be in my home."

Recorder Barnes' father came in from Thompson Ridge, to-day, to look over the sergeant's private office, and make sure that everything is all right. The old gentlemen expressed the wish that the war might soon be over.

When the steam chime whistles begins blowing off alarms, next week, nine out of every ten Middletowners will depend on it for their knowledge of the location of fires. There is something decidedly more alarming about a whistle than a fire bell, and every fireman will admit a special thrill when the factory whistles toot their alarms.

Talking about alarms, a large share of the marriageable population of this city seems particularly anxious to know the name of the young lady who presented the basket of fruit and both cheeks to the medical corporal at Port Jervis, Thursday night. While they are all guessing perhaps it is just as well not to tell, but really, the whole incident was based on patriotism and enthusiasm, and there is not any immediate danger of a "winner" being announced just yet.

PROTECTION FROM SUNSTROKE.

A Simple Yet Scientific Device for Protecting the Head.

One of the members of the 13th Pennsylvania regiment, now at Camp Alger, in a letter to the Montrose *Democrat*, says that Company G men have been supplied by ex-Judge W. H. Jessup with a hat lining that is held to be proof against sunstroke. It consists of two layers of muslin, basted together, one of green and the other of orange. The green, it is claimed, intercepts the caloric or heat rays and the orange decreases the intensity of the photographic rays. The device is an invention of the judge himself. When a boy on his father's Susquehanna county farm, he was sunstruck while pitching hay, and ever since his head has been extremely sensitive to the sun. He read in a paper years ago that layers of green and orange carried as a lining to a hat would prevent sunstroke. He looked into the matter from a scientific standpoint, and finding that it was in every way reasonable, adopted it himself and recommended it to his friends. This hint may be worth pasting in your hat these sweltering days.

AT MIDWAY PARK

Sacred Concerts To-morrow Afternoon and Evening.

There will be sacred concerts at Midway Park to-morrow afternoon and evening, by Roescher's orchestra. The programme of the afternoon concert from 3 to 5 o'clock will be as follows

Scottish March	... Gung'l
Overture—Bohemian Girl	Balfe
Cornet Solo—My lodging is on the cold ground	
Arthur Parkins	
My native land—Waltz	Strauss
Spring Serenade	Lincke
Golden Rod—Selection	Schleppe
Merry American	Korner
Stars and Stripes	Sousa

The evening programme from 8 to 10, will be as follows.

Amorita	
New York Reminiscences	Lacalx
Serenade	Schubert
Alma Waltzes	Dupont
Orpheus	Koppold
Andante	Pleyel
Erinnerungen	Strauss
National Airs	

Balloon ascensions at 3 and 7 30 o'clock.

A NEW STATE OFFICE.

An Ellenville Man May Be Made Inspector of Nurseries and Fruit Trees

Chester Young, of Ellenville, was one of four persons who passed the recent civil service examination for inspector of nurseries and fruit trees. The duties of the position are the inspection of nurseries orchards and nursery stock, and the suppression of fruit tree diseases and pests, under the provisions of chapter 482 of the Laws of 1896, relating to prevention and suppression of yellows, black-knot, San Jose scale and other diseases and pests injurious to fruit trees The salary is $100 a month and two or three inspectors are to be appointed.

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COMBUSTION OF BRIQUETTES

Results When They Are Loaded Too Soon After Leaving the Press.

The danger of spontaneous combustion in briquettes or patent fuel forms the subject of an article in the journal of the Central union of the Prussian Steam Boiler Inspection association. Instances are mentioned in which briquette stores have kindled spontaneously, after having been exposed for a long time to the sun's rays, and in this connection the following suggestions have been thrown out by a recent writer in the Gluckauf, who points out that such spontaneous ignition is unknown in the Ruhr district.

On leaving the press the briquettes show a high degree of heat, about 122 degrees Fahrenheit or more, and, in order to hasten the cooling, they are sprinkled with water while being loaded on to the railway wagons. If the loaded wagons have remained standing for some hours the cooling of the briquettes will be so far advanced that they can be forwarded at once; but, if they be sent off too soon, ignition may, under certain circumstances, take place during the transport to destination.

The idea of spontaneous combustion in briquettes that have been completely cooled, is, however, repudiated, no such case having been properly authenticated by the writer, but he presumes that the coal made up into patent fuel is first freed from all foreign substances so as to contain no pyrites, and also that a large portion of the volatile gases are driven off in the process of manufacture.

RAISINS AS HORSE FEED.

A California Man's Animals Like Them and Flourish on Such Provisions.

P. P. Brooks, living eight miles west of Fresno, is using raisins as horse feed, and the result of his observations will be interesting, as he is an old horseman, reports the Fresno (Cal.) Republican. In an interview with a republican reporter he said:

"Barley is worth $30 a ton, and raisins from $18 to $30. It is difficult to sell good raisins for over $20 a ton. Some time ago I concluded to use raisins as horse feed instead of grain. As an experiment I bought an old horse and fed the animal 12 pounds of raisins a day. The nag was worn out and poor, but in a short time he began to fatten and grow sleek. The food seemed very nourishing and the horse became plump and full of life. I sold the animal back to the original owner for $30—three times what I gave for him. Twelve pounds of raisins a day is equal to 20 pounds of barley. At the present price of grain this would make the food value of raisins about $60 a ton, leaving a profit of $42 a ton over the actual selling price of $18. The raisins also make good cattle and hog food, but I have not experimented much in that line. Horses seem to relish the raisins, and keep in good condition while being worked. Several of my neighbors will follow my example and use raisins for stock feed. This is a good way to get rid of the surplus now in the hands of the farmers."

WHIRLED THE VARNISH AWAY

Hardened Lacquer Runs Like a Liquid from a Rapidly Revolving Dynamo Disk.

A curious observation was made in the shops of an electric establishment in Berlin the other day. For the purpose of making certain experiments a disk covered with varnish and lacquer was mounted upon the axle of a rapidly-rotating dynamo, and it was noticed that when the number of rotations was increased to several thousand per minute the lacquer covering on the outer surface would crackle and break off, says the Philadelphia Record.

On the sides the varnish, which had been quite solid, began to flow toward the outer edge and in about an hour every vestige of it had entirely disappeared. It is doubtless the centrifugal power which caused that unusual flow of solid lacquer. There is still another fact to be mentioned in this connection. The shaft upon which the disc was mounted remained quite normal until the number of about 3,500 revolutions was reached; from then on the shaft began to pound and to waver, became more quiet after a thousand more revolutions, but started again to beat and pound when 7,000 revolutions were registered. Curiously enough the pounding was almost entirely stopped when a slight pressure was brought to bear upon one end of the shaft.

PROUD OF HIS NOSE.

An Illinois Man Who Was Not Ashamed of an Appalling Nasal Affliction.

The keeper of an eating-house and lunch counter on the Illinois Central railroad, much nearer than 1,000 miles to Chicago, is blest or afflicted with a huge nose, a veritable trunk of Gargantuan proportions. Whoever sees it—and, like the masts of a ship at sea, it is the first portion of his anatomy that appears in sight—whoever encounters it for the first time utters an exclamation either of surprise or fright, says the Chronicle.

Its possessor takes no offense at this; indeed, he seems to regard it as a mark of distinction, and draws a surly face if a stranger neglects to stare at it. The other day—he tells the story himself—a train stopped for five minutes, and several people entered to purchase sandwiches, pies, crackers, cheese and other coveted refreshments. The train was nearly ready to depart when a tall man rushed up to the counter and shouted:

"Give me ten cents' worth of crackers and 15 cents' worth of chee—whillikens, what a nose!"

GREAT DANGER

Sufferers From Kidney Disease Should Read This Carefully.

When the Bladder or Kidneys are diseased, the afflicted person is in great danger of death. When the urine gets pale or very dark; when the desire to urinate is very frequent, especially at night; when there is a burning sensation or pain in passing water; when there is a sediment or cloudy substance at the bottom of the vessel after the urine has stood awhile; when there is aching in the small of the back or loins, your Kidneys or Bladder are affected and you had better look out. The disease is liable to lead to pneumonia, consumption or bronchitis, and that means still more certain death. At the slightest sign of any disorder in the Kidneys or Bladder, go to the drug store as quickly as you can and get a bottle of ***Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy*** for $1. It will remove you from danger at once and effect a radical, permanent cure. Do not allow the dealer to substitute another medicine. Nothing equals this great preparation. Insist upon having ***Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.***

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Jury Failed to Agree in a Game Protector Suit.

Game Protector Kidder's suit against Peter Conklin, of near Unionville, to recover penalties for violating the fish law, was tried before Justice Payne and a jury, Friday afternoon. It was shown by several witnesses that the defendant had black bass in his possession out of season, but the jury disagreed after being out several hours, standing three and three.

Killed at Santiago.

Sidney Schofield, of Fishkill, a member of the Tenth Separate Company, of Newburgh, who when that company did not volunteer was transferred to the 71st Regiment, was among the killed at Santiago.

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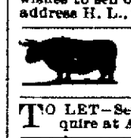

LAMB 8c, CHOPS 14c, CORN BEEF 5c. Watch window. d91,9t **GREENING'S.**

TO LET—Seven room cottage and barn. Enquire at AMBLER'S Jewelry Store 90dtf

GOOD Oil Stoves 69c at DAYTON'S.

WE wish now to reduce our stock of trimmed hats and so offer them at greatly reduced prices. Remnants of ribbon, lace, chiffon, malline, etc., at half price that will trim you a pretty hat at little cost. Baby bonnets sold at cost. MRS. BUSH, 144 North St.

MAGIC Toothache Drops will positively cure toothache of the worst kind. We make it and KNOW it will do the work Suffer no longer when you can get relief for 10 cents. Made and sold only at CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

NEW YORK PAY STORE, 226 North street Shoulder steak 10c., best steer beef, best ice cream soda in the city 5c milk, can goods and lunch counter Agency New York Life Insurance Company's office. NEW YORK PAY STORE, Middletown, N. Y. decJuly5,'99

WANTED ON BOND AND MORTGAGE—$2,000, 5 per cent.—$1,000 and $900. Good security. EDWIN S. MERRILL, Attorney at Law, Rooms 8 and 9 Times Building, King street.

GALVANIZED Water Pails 10c at DAYTON'S

FRESH PORK 9 AND 10 CENTS. CHOPS 10 AND 11 CENTS. 85d9t **GREENING'S.**

MIDWAY PARK,

Saturday, July 9th, at 7:30 P. M.

Grand Balloon Ascension and Parachute Decent.

MISS NINA MADISON,

The world's most famous Lady Balloonist, will ascend to an enormous height never before reached by any balloonist, from which she will descend by Parachute, followed by her faithful dog.

At 8 P. M.—Grand Vaudeville Performance by celebrated artists.

At 10 P. M.—Dancing.

Everthing free to all.

SUNDAY—Free balloon ascensions at 3 o'clock and 7:30 o'clock.

FOR SALE—Sweepstakes Stallion, sire Sweepstakes, dam Knickerbocker, grand dam Black Harry Clay. Foaled July 23, '93. There is no better young horse in New York State for breeding. Will be sold very cheap. Call on or address M. J. DUNHAM or M. B. VAN FLEET, Middletown, N. Y. dtoJuly15

BATH SPONGES—Just received some of the finest we have ever seen. Come in and let us show them to you. Modern price At CHAMBERS' Post Office Pharmacy, 57 North street, second door from post office.

Cottage Hotel Entertainments.

WEEK OF JULY 4.

Delmanning Brothers celebrated song and dance team, formerly with Barton's Minstrels, Miss Carrie Franklin, clever serio-comic singer, with the best and newest songs, The Fowlers, celebrated trapeze and ring performers and up-to-date hat spinners; Miss Bessie Wilson, newest song and dance turn, don't miss it; Miss May Gray, charming soubrette with something new.

Concerts Sunday afternoon and evening.

P. S.—Don't forget the grand ball, Thursday night, in connection with the above show. Cars leave for Middletown at 1 a. m., and Goshen at 12.26.

STRAWS!

We've Got the Lagest Line of Straw Hats in the City.

WE KNOW WE'VE GOT THE BEST GOODS!

AND

We Guarantee You the Lowest Prices in the City.

UNDERWEAR!

The Largest Line in the City and Prices Lower Than the Lowest.

S. LIPFELD,

Clothier and Furnisher, 25 North St.

Land Plaster 35c Per Hundred

FINE HOMINY MEAL 70 CTS. PER HUNDRED.

Ground Oats $1.20 Per Hundred

CRACKED CORN 83 CTS. A HUNDRED.

Corn Meal 83 Cents Per Hundred

RYE, CORN AND OATS HORSE FEED 90 CTS. PER HUNDRED.

Ketcham & Behme,

Millers. 15 Montgomery St.

TELEPONE CALL 276.

HOUSE Refrigerator, in fair order, gents' pneumatic bicycle $9, extension table, 8 feet, $2, at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

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KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10

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HART DAVIS, No. 45 North St.

JULY Offerings in Summer Goods!

This is the time of year when the shopping public is looking for just such bargains as we are enumerating in the columns below. There is no necessity for us to dwell upon the merits of the values we quote. We leave it to an unprejudiced public to judge for themselves. All we can say in their favor is that they are gotten by careful buying with the spot cash; that counts more than anything else at this time of the year with importers, jobbers and manufacturers. Just now you will find tempting prices on all lines of goods all over the store.

Extra large bottle Household Ammonia, no better goods of the kind made, 8c bottle.

Almond Meal, one of the finest things for the complexion made, 25c bottle.

Tetlow's Face Powder 10c box; Tetlow's Gossemere Face Powder 19c box.

Lablanch Face Powder 39c, Bailey Face Powder, all shades, 10c box.

Genuine Violet Soap, with soap box for traveling, both for 10c.

Violet of Parmer Toilet Water 25c; extra large bottle of Vaseline 5c.

18 doz. one ounce bottle fine Extracts, all odors, goods that we can warrant; as long as they last 15c, the regular price 25c.

Extra heavy bleached Bath Towels 15c each, 2 for 25c.

Special lot of fine Hair Brushes 25, 39, 48c.

Nail Brushes 15, 19, 25c; Tooth Brushes, two special lots, 5, 10c.

Pin Cubes, all colors of pins, 5c; Mending Tissue 10c; Belt Pins, extra value, 5, 10c.

Ladies' Puff Scarfs 25c; Maine Wire Belts 50c; new Velvet Belts 25, 50c; all Linen Collars, latest shapes, 10c.

Box Paper, 60 envelopes and 60 sheets paper, either plain or ruled, rough or satin finish, 19c box.

Our special box paper, plain or ruled, 24 sheets paper and 24 envelopes to match, 10c.

Corset Stays 4, 5, 6 hooks 5c, Stocknit Arm Shields 9c pair, Ladies', Misses and Children's Side Elastics 10c pair.

Violette Soap, 3 large cakes in a box, 10c per box.

240 Ladies Dainty Lawn Wrappers, handsomely made, trimmed either with braid or veil lace, perfect fitting: as long as they last 69 and 98c each.

100 Ladies 26 inch all Silk Carola steel rod umbrellas, good for rain or shine, as long as they last 98c. One manufacturer told us they couldn't be made at a profit to him at the price we are selling them at.

1,272 Ladies' Ribbed Vests, just closed out from the manufacturer, with short sleeves or sleeveless. His loss is your gain. See our great values at 5, 10, 15, 19c.

Ladies' Cambric and Muslin Night Gowns. It is a wonder to all how we can sell them at the price we do, 49, 69, 89, 98c, $1.48.

Lace Grenadine or Etienne, 38 inches wide, made to sell at 22½c wholesale; as long as they last 15c yard.

Fancy Ribbons in every combination of colors in Checks, Stripes and Plaids. Also plain Moire Taffeta Ribbon in all colors. One of the best bargains ever offered by any firm; about half the regular price, 19c yard.

Those little things you need so much during the summer and to take on your vacation.

Our own large bottle Florida Water 25c.

Pope's Violet Ammonia, finest goods made, 15c bottle, 2 bottles 25c.

Oakley's finest Triple Waters, two or four ounce bottles, 25 and 49c.

Bailey's Perfumed Talcum Powder 10c; Mennen's Talcum Powder 15c box.

620 yards finest imported plain organdies in Navy Blue and Black ground with white dots and figures; sold early in the season for 25c. We secured this lot so we can offer them at 15c.

800 yards all Silk Cream Lace would be cheap at 20 and 25c yard; as long as this lot lasts 10c yard.

300 Linen Crash and White Pique Skirts. Every lady can afford at least two at the low prices we are selling them at. No better assortmen shown by any store, 39c to $2.25.

270 Percale and Sateen Wrappers that we have just closed out from three leading manufacturers. You can buy a warpper from us for less than you can buy the materiel for not counting the making, 98c, $1.29 $1.48.

Ladies' Cambric and Muslin Drawers. We mention just two special numbers that we know are the best ever shown at the price, 29 and 49c per pair.

46 inch Pure Mohair Brilliantine, sold by all for $1 yard. Only five pieces in this lot. As long as they last 75c yard.

DOMESTIC—Best Sheets, 40, 44, 46c each; Pillow Cases, 9½, 12, 14c; White Bed Spread, 49, 69, 98c; all Linen Napkins, 98c, Summer Comforts, 98c, $1.29. Special Table Linen, 50 and 79c yard Extra size all linen Huck Towels 15c.

1,177 yards fine white Imported Organdies with dainty colored figures, also plain colors in the same lot. They would be cheap at 19c yard. It was a case of turning them into cash that we got this lot at such a ridiculous low price, as long as they last 10c yard.

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